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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

RE: B KID

BENSON GROVES, with aliases, who was confined in the
U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, from 1917 to 1920, addressed
letters to the following persons in your district:

1917

Mr. Fred Hepe	Friend	526 Water St., Benwood, W. Va.,
Mr. Luke Guovey	Friend	Parkersburg, West Virginia,
Mr. John Myers	Friend	630 Water St., Benwood, W. Va.,
Ida B. Groves		3110 Sacramento St., Pittsburgh, Pa.,

1918

Fred Hepe	Friend	526 Water St., Benwood, W. Va.,
Charles Everett		710 Main St., Benwood, W. Va.,

1920

Charles Everett		710 Main St., Benwood, W. Va.
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He received the following letters:

1917

W. E. Groves	Wheeling, West Virginia,
Ida B. Groves	Benwood, West Virginia,
Fred Hepe	Benwood, West Virginia,
Ida B. Groves	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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1918

Fred Hepe
Ida B. Groves

Benwood, West Virginia,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,

1919

Charles Everett

710 Main St., Benwood, W. Va.

The records of the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia,
further reflect [REDACTED]

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Please conduct immediate appropriate investigation to
determine whether or not Benson Groves is in contact with any of
the individuals mentioned above, and otherwise conduct investigation
seeking his whereabouts through these individuals.

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Very truly yours,

KJE/EJB
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- Chicago
- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

RE: B-KID

The letter from the Chicago Bureau field division to this office, dated October 13, 1936, reflects that Mr. Walter Herrburg, superintendent of mail, Hammond, Indiana, advised that until about three and one-half years ago one Charles Sprout, an uncle of Mrs. Ida Fryar, a sister of Benson Groves, lived at 6256 Van Buren Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, but that he subsequently moved to Dayton, Ohio, address unknown, and the Fryars moved into Sprout's house at 6256 Van Buren Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. At that time he also advised that Charles Sprout died, presumably some time during the week of October 4, 1936, and that it was his impression that the Fryar family went to Dayton to attend the funeral.

The report of Special Agent F. J. Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated October 22, 1936, reflects that investigation was conducted at Dayton, Ohio, but no record of the death of Charles Sprout, either in Dayton, or Montgomery County, Ohio, could be located.

Inasmuch as it appears that Charles Sprout was also the uncle of Benson Groves it may be of some value to ascertain his residence after he left Hammond, Indiana, and you will, therefore, conduct appropriate investigation through Mr. Herrburg, or other sources in Hammond, in an effort to secure more definite information as to the residence of Charles Sprout after he left Dayton.

If he is deceased, there is a possibility that he left an estate which may offer some leads as to the present whereabouts of Benson Groves, particularly if the latter was to receive anything from this estate.

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Very truly yours,

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J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Information has recently come to the attention of this office that BENSON GROVES is probably at present residing in the state of California. This information was obtained from Frances Selander, the former housekeeper for Joe Roscoe, Toledo, Ohio.

In this connection it is noted that on January 8, 1931, Edward Clarence Webb was convicted for violation of the U. S. Postal Laws, and was sentenced to the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, together with Benson Groves, "Tip" O'Neill, Eli Stewart, and Frank Grabowski. From the correspondence record of Edward Clarence Webb, obtained from the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, it is noted that he corresponded with his mother, Mrs. G. A. Webster, 1227 West 38th Place, Los Angeles, California, and such correspondence existed over the period he was incarcerated in this institution, from 1931 until July of 1934. It is also noted in this record that he also corresponded with Mr. W. K. Webster, brother, at Los Angeles. However, no address is shown for this individual. Reference is also made to correspondence with Mrs. Ruth Webb, at the same address as that listed for Mrs. G. A. Webster. This record also reflects that the address of Mrs. Webb was Toledo, and it is thought that Mrs. Webb was only visiting her mother-in-law at that time.

Due to the prior association of Benson Groves with Edward Clarence Webb, it is thought that in the event Groves is at present in the state of California, he will be in touch with the relatives of Webb.

Therefore, it is requested that a discreet investigation be conducted at the address of Mrs. G. A. Webster, looking toward

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the apprehension of Benson Groves. This investigation should be given preferred attention as it is anticipated that this matter will be brought before the Grand Jury in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

APK/EJS
CC - Bureau
- Cincinnati
- Chicago

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

1449 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Reference is made to the report of former Special Agent A. A. Muzzey, dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 13, 1935, wherein it is noted that former Special Agent Muzzey, on May 6, 1935, interviewed Joseph Bell, narcotic agent, Detroit, Michigan. It is noted that this interview resulted in information provided by Bell that during May of 1935, the narcotic agents were conducting an investigation at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, and that Bell informed former Special Agent Muzzey that he was of the opinion that Cassius McDonald was known to Art Hebebrand and Shimmy Patton, owners of the Harvard Club, although Bell had never personally observed this individual at the Harvard Club. During this interview Mr. Bell also stated that narcotic agents were planted in the Harvard Club for the period of this investigation.

In line with the above, it is suggested that Joseph Bell be interviewed at this time in an effort to ascertain, if possible, the identity of the agents of the Narcotic Bureau, who were planted in the Harvard Club during the above-mentioned investigation.

It is also desired that photographs of the Barker-Karpis gang be exhibited to Mr. Bell in an effort to have him identify any of these individuals whom he personally observed at the Harvard Club, or in the presence of either Art Hebebrand, Shimmy Patton, or other employees of this club. In the event the identity of the agents actually engaged in this investigation can be ascertained, each of these individuals should be interviewed and photographs exhibited to them, as it is highly probable that if these individuals were present at the Harvard Club during May of 1935, they observed members of the Barker-Karpis gang frequenting this club, and probably associating

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with the owners and employees thereof.

It is respectfully requested that you expedite this investigation due to the fact that it is believed this case will be brought before the Grand Jury in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

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- Chicago
- Cincinnati

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

TO ALL BUREAU FIELD DIVISIONS:

RE: HEKID

Investigation in the Northern District of Ohio has established that BENSON GROVES, aliases: George Wilson, "Soup", Burns Garby, B. G. Grayson, Benjamin Grayson, E. J. Greyson; Benson Graves, Burns Corby, "Soup" Groves, Benson K. Groves, Benjamin G. Grayson, Ben Grayson, Benson E. Groves, was involved with Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and Fred Hunter in the holdup of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, on November 7, 1935. Groves is the man described as "Sam" in the circular letter to all field offices, dated at Cleveland, Ohio, April 13, 1936. The Post Office Department has distributed circulars on Groves, stating definitely that he is wanted as one of the participants in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery.

Investigation has established that Groves was in close association with Karpis and Campbell in the Northern District of Ohio, and the Bureau is, therefore, interested in causing his apprehension, from the standpoint of his having harbored Karpis and Campbell in the Northern District of Ohio.

To date Groves has not been indicted either for the Garrettsville mail train robbery, or for harboring Karpis and Campbell, but it is expected that evidence as to his association with Karpis and Campbell will be presented to a Grand Jury in the Northern District of Ohio in the very near future.

The following is a description of Benson Groves, as obtained from the records of the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia.

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Photograph

Criminal record as shown by FBI #10577:

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Notation on record: Unsupported by fingerprints.

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Leads may be furnished to your office for the purpose of locating Benson Groves, with aliases, and when such leads are received you will refer to this letter for his complete description.

Groves is considered to be a dangerous individual, this information having been received from various sources and therefore, extreme caution should be used in running out any leads in an effort to effect his apprehension.

The title of this case, for report purposes, is now, GEORGE TIMNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim. KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

1300 Liberty Trust Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

November 23, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re - ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases.
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to teletype message addressed by this office to the Cleveland Office under date of October 10, 1936, and letter of confirmation dated October 12, 1936, regarding the correspondence records of Benjamin Grayson, while at the United States Northeastern Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pa.

Please be informed that Major Henry C. Hill, Warden of the Penitentiary, has advised that the only correspondence record on file in Grayson's case is limited to information concerning his incoming mail; that the names of the individuals from whom Grayson received correspondence which he furnished on October 10, 1936, is complete.

Very truly yours,

R. F. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1446 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to your letter of November 17, 1936, wherein you informed that the records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, are only preserved for three years, and at the end of the present year the records for the automobile registrations of 1934 will be destroyed.

There is furnished herewith, a complete list of automobiles and license numbers, the records of which should be preserved for the trial of this case. This list also includes registrations for the year 1935, and same are being furnished in order to facilitate a later search of the files, in the event subpoena duces tecum is issued for the production of these records.

1934 Ford DeLuxe sedan, motor #899365, registered on or about May 2, 1934, in the name of E. J. Powell, 1312 1/2 Adams Street, Toledo, Ohio.

1934 Chevrolet coupe, motor #3093914, serial #1-DA-028561, registered in the name of Bert Angus, on or about February 24, 1934.

1934 Chevrolet sedan, motor #4135550, serial #1-DA-0313359, registered in the name of J. A. Orhood, 5407 Edgewater Drive; also transferred to J. Carter, 3303 Summit Street, Toledo, on or about this same date.

1934 Chevrolet sedan, motor #4102997, licensed in 1934 in the name of E. J. Morley, 33 Summit Street, Toledo, under 1934 Ohio license #C 19-065.

1934 Chevrolet sedan, motor #4543086, licensed in 1934 to E. J. Morley, 33 Summit Street, Toledo, Ohio, under license #A 74-135.

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- 1934 Chevrolet sedan, motor #4482615, licensed in 1934 under the name of Mrs. J. L. Osborn, Clyde, Ohio, under 1934 Ohio license #140-532.
- 1934 Ford Deluxe coupe, motor #683450, licensed on March 21, 1934, to George Winfield, 631 St. Clair Street, Toledo, Ohio, under 1934 Ohio license #C 19-563.
- 1933 Ford coupe, motor #18429014, licensed in 1935 in the name of Charles Miller, 6604 Pearl Road, Cleveland, Ohio, under 1935 Ohio license #HM 54.
- 1934 Ford coupe, motor #18-888666, licensed in 1935 in the name of Carl Atkins, under 1935 Ohio license #H 732 V.
- 1935 Hudson coupe, motor #68021, serial #546529, licensed in 1935 in the name of Charles Miller.
- 1935 Plymouth sedan, motor #PJ 322772, serial #2619857, licensed in 1935 under the name of Carl Baker, 1027 East 47th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, under 1935 Ohio license #LU 671.
- 1934 Ford coupe, motor #18-1037480, licensed in 1934 in the name of Charles W. Bronson, 1312 Brockley Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio, under 1934 Ohio license #711-696.
- 1933 Standard Ford sedan, motor #18-493020, licensed in 1933 to T. C. Blackburn, 4214 Lockwood Avenue.
- 1933 Ford coupe, motor #18-328420, licensed on February 10, 1934, under the name of E. V. Davis, 1209 Summit Street, Toledo, under 1934 Ohio license #C018348. Also statement of ownership dated February 10, 1934, showing that this car was previously registered for the year 1933 in the state of Minnesota, under Minnesota license #B 473567, under name of E. V. Davis, Box 52, Lakeville, Minnesota.

In this connection it is desired that a check also be made of the records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles in an effort to establish whether or not Anthony J. Amersbach, in 1933, was the owner of a Graham Paige sedan, Amersbach's address was at that time 7124 Clark Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. It is also desired that the bill of sale be examined in an effort to ascertain the color of this automobile, and in the event this bill of sale does not reflect same, this office should be advised as to where Amersbach purchased this automobile, as it is highly desirable to know the exact color of this vehicle.

In the event it is brought to the attention of this office that registrations of other automobiles for the year 1934 are desired, your office will be promptly notified so that these records can be preserved prior to their destruction at the end of this year.

Very truly yours,

APK/EJB
CC - Bureau
- Chicago

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

1449 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 20, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

RE: BURRHEAD

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent John R. Welles, dated at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, November 11, 1936, wherein it is requested that this office furnish the Oklahoma City office with two photographs of GEORGE BURRHEAD KEADY.

This is to advise that this office has no photographs on file of this individual and inquiry at the Identification Bureau of the Cleveland Police Department discloses that at the time Keady was being held at the city jail by Post Office Inspectors, no photograph was taken by the city police, and, therefore, no photograph is on file with that department.

It is suggested in this connection that the Kansas City Bureau field division contact the Sheriff's office at Independence, Kansas, where it is thought that photographs of Burrhead Keady will be available. In this connection it is recalled that Burrhead Keady and John Brock attended the trial of Tom Hill at Independence, Kansas, where, at the instance of the Post Office Inspectors, they were photographed and their photographs forwarded to Cleveland, and as a result witnesses to the Garrettsville, Ohio, mail train robbery identified the photograph of Burrhead Keady, which resulted in his subsequent apprehension by the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa.

It is also thought that George Burrhead Keady has served sentences for violation of Federal laws in either the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, or the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and that such a record may be maintained by the Tulsa Police Department.

Very truly yours,

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J. E. McFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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December 7, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Re: GEORGE TIMINEX, ER. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O.#1182; Edward George Bremer,
Victim, KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

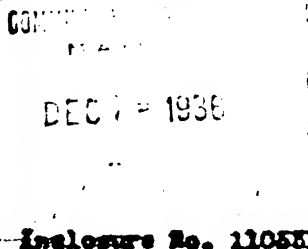
Reference is made to the letter addressed to you by the
Cleveland Field Division dated November 10, 1936, in which you
were advised that the Cleveland Field Division did not possess
photographs of George "Burrhead" Keady.

There are transmitted herewith two photographs of George
Campbell, United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas No.
26714, who appears to be identical with George Keady. A copy of
the criminal record of George Campbell is also inclosed.

A photograph, together with a copy of the criminal record,
is being furnished to the field divisions receiving a copy of this
letter.


Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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P. O. Box 1583

Butte, Montana, November 21, 1936.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 1409,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting, herewith, a letter dated
November 11, 1936, received by me here from Grace
Goldstein, in which she transmits certain information
which you desire. I have not acknowledged this letter.

Very truly yours,

CHAPMAN FLETCHER
Special Agent in Charge.

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November 23, 1936

C. W. Stein
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
404 New York Building
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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ON HARBORING CASES U S ATTORNEY HERE REQUESTS ALSO TRANSCRIPT OF JUDGES
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November 25, 1936

D. W. Ladd
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building
Chicago, Illinois

BREKID FURNISH IMMEDIATELY COPIES INDICTMENTS RETURNED YOUR DISTRICT ON
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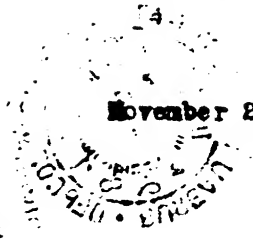
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D. Brantley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
224 Federal Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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November 23, 1936

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November 23, 1936

F. J. Blake
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1206 Tower Petroleum Building
Dallas, Texas.

BREXID EXPEDITE TRANSMITTAL INDICTMENTS RETURNED YOUR DISTRICT RE
HARBORING CLYDE BARRON AND BONNIE PARKER ETAL REFERENCE LETTER
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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE Nov. 23, 1936	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Nov. 18, 1936	REPORT MADE BY CHARLES JENKINS
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, ---FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232 et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGI- TIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Records of U.S. District Court Clerk, Chicago, show that on 9/21/36 on motion of the U.S. Attorney the trial of the case against MATTHEW GLEASON was continued generally by Judge Holly. Assistant U.S. Attorney Austin Hall at Chicago states no definite date for the trial of this case can be determined upon at this time.

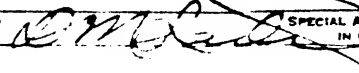
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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Charles Jenkins, Chicago, Illinois September 26, 1936.

DETAILS: The records of the Clerk of the United States District Court at Chicago, Illinois show that on September 21, 1936 on motion of the United States Attorney the trial of MATTHEW GLEASON was continued generally, by Federal Judge William H. Holly.

Assistant United States Attorney Austin Hall at Chicago stated that at this time no definite date can be set for the trial of the case against GLEASON.

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1305 Masonic Temple Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana,
November 23, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Re: **RE KIN.**

Complying with the request contained in your letter dated November 16, 1936, I am enclosing herewith two copies of a signed statement secured from Ruth Hawn Robinson, with aliases, which statement was secured by Special Agent W. L. Buchanan and the writer on May 3, 1936, at New Orleans.

Inspector E. J. Connelley was furnished two copies of this statement under personal and confidential cover on May 4, 1936.


Very truly yours,

R. L. Tollett,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BREXID. AGENT D P SULLIVAN ADVISES PLACE LOCATED FOR TELEPHONE TAP ON THREE LINES INTO ONE SURVEILLANCE PLANT AND THEY ARE ARRANGING TO SET SAME UP. THEY ARE ALSO LOCATING LINES OF WEA JACOB FROM SOUTHERN CLUB FOR SIMILAR SETUP. PLEASE ARRANGE FOR TWO OUTSIDE AGENTS WHO ARE UNKNOWN IN ARKANSAS TO REPORT TO AGENT SULLIVAN AT LITTLEROCK TO MAINTAIN FIRST ABOVE INDICATED TAP. THESE SHOULD BE OBSCURE TYPE OF AGENT NOT THE POLICE TYPE IN APPEARANCE. ALSO HAVE THESE AGENTS BRING WITH THEM FROM OFFICE TO WHICH ATTACHED TWO SETS OF SIMPLE HEAD-SET TELEPHONE TAP INSTRUMENTS

CONNELLEY..

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Dawsey
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Lester
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Quinn
Mr. P. H. ...
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Edward G. Bremer

Wire-tapping

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404 New York Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
November 23, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

BRKID

With reference to letter from the Cleveland Office dated November 18, 1936, concerning Associated Press article released from St. Paul, and referring to a confession made by Jess Doyle, please be advised that John McKay, the Associated Press representative in St. Paul has stated that the enclosed clipping is the only news item in this connection which would have been routed to Cleveland; that that article left St. Paul by wire on the night of March 30, 1935, to Chicago, and would have been relayed from there to Cleveland, appearing in papers in that city on March 31, 1935, or very shortly thereafter.

Mr. McKay has also suggested that search of the Associated Press files in Cleveland for the month of April or for March 31, would undoubtedly locate this news item as it appeared in the Cleveland papers.

Mr. McKay has requested that the enclosed clipping be returned to him.

Very truly yours,

G. W. STAIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

FILE NO. 7-8

REPORT MADE AT Aberdeen, S. Dak.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-21-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-21-36	REPORT MADE BY C. F. Risler: FB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: All investigation in Aberdeen District completed and closed except stop order on automobile. In accordance with letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, dated 7-18-36, this case is RUC'd.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-RUC-</p> <p>REFERENCE: Letter of SAC E. J. Connelley, dated at St. Paul, Minn., 7-18-36, addressed to Special Agent in Charge, New York, N. Y., copy to Aberdeen.</p> <p>DETAILS: A review of the file of the Aberdeen Division reveals that on Dec. 17, 1935, a stop order was placed with the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureaus of the states of North and South Dakota, on 1935 Plymouth sedan, Motor No. PJ 322722, Serial No. 2619857. This order has not been cancelled.</p> <p>All undeveloped leads having been completed, this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN-</p>			
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 23, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Investigation
in Little Rock, Arkansas.

In connection with the attached teletype from Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati requesting that two Agents be sent into Little Rock to work on telephone taps in connection with the above entitled investigation, I telephoned Mr. Brantley at the Oklahoma City Office and Mr. Fitzsimons at the Kansas City Office and instructed them to send one man from each office to Little Rock to work on these taps. I told them that these men should not be of the police type, and should take with them a set of simple head-set telephone tap instruments, as outlined by Mr. Connelley.

Mr. Brantley indicated that he would send Agent McSwain, and Mr. Fitzsimons said he would wire the Bureau whom he would send.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
E. A. TAMM.

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CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 11/25/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/13/36	REPORT MADE BY T. F. MULLEN
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUST NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

OSCAR HOLOFFE contacted at the home of his brother, 206 Briggs Street, Joliet, Illinois, and could give no additional information as to any other subjects being implicated in connection with the kidnaping of the above victim. OSCAR'S brother, JULIUS HOLOFFE, states that OSCAR is mentally unbalanced and really does not know anything concerning the Bremer kidnaping case and had in December of 1935 been paroled to him from the Illinois State Hospital for the Insane at Elgin, Ill. From OSCAR HOLOFFE'S actions it was apparent to Agent that he was of unsound mind, acting very queerly during the interview.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent T. F. MULLEN, Chicago, Illinois, dated October 15, 1936.

DETAILS:

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS.

At the home of JULIUS HOLOFFE, 206 Briggs Street, Joliet, Illinois, Agent located and interviewed OSCAR HOLOFFE, the individual who, according to a DR. F. J. KESSLING of Peoria, Illinois, was supposed to have further information implicating additional subjects in connection with the Bremer kidnaping case.

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OSCAR HOLOFFE stated that prior to June, 1935, he worked as a farm hand on a farm owned by brothers of MIKE DOYLE, located at Symerton, Illinois, near Elwood, Illinois, on Road #66; that a MIKE DOYLE, one of the brothers, owns a tavern on Highway #66 between Elwood and Symerton, Illinois, and that he was supposed to be mixed up in the Bremer kidnaping case.

When Agent pressed OSCAR HOLOFFE for more information in connection therewith, OSCAR refused to state anything further other than to say the DOYLES made a lot of trouble for him. He would not qualify what this trouble was. Agent would drop the subject of discussion and refer to something else and then take up the matter of the Bremer kidnaping again and whenever this was done OSCAR HOLOFFE would make no reply other than to state that the DOYLES made a lot of trouble for him.

OSCAR HOLOFFE during the entire interview acted very queerly to Agent indicating that he might possibly be of unsound mind.

His brother, JULIUS HOLOFFE, then came into the room and stated that he was positive that OSCAR knew nothing whatever concerning the Bremer kidnaping case, stating that OSCAR HOLOFFE was unbalanced mentally; that he was incarcerated at the Illinois State Hospital for the Insane at Elgin, Illinois, from June until December of 1935 when OSCAR HOLOFFE was paroled to him, JULIUS HOLOFFE; that from his recent actions it was feared that it will be necessary for the HOLOFFE family to again return OSCAR HOLOFFE to the Elgin State Hospital; that while he, JULIUS, could not give Agent the exact disease of the mind his brother is suffering from, he stated that several years ago when he worked in a mine in the southern part of the state of Illinois he was hit on the head; that from that time on OSCAR started to drink and is considered now a very heavy drinker; that the drinking together with this blow on the head has made OSCAR an individual of unsound mind; that he reads a lot of stuff in newspapers and then imagines that he knows all about it or has a lot of additional information that does not appear in the newspapers.

In view of the apparent state of OSCAR HOLOFFE'S mind, no further investigation of this man will be made and no inquiry of the DOYLE brothers will be made unless so desired by the St. Paul Division. Likewise, no further inquiry will be made at the Illinois State Hospital at Elgin, Illinois, for the purpose of obtaining the medical report setting forth the condition of OSCAR HOLOFFE'S mind unless so requested.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-5**

REPORT MADE AT Denver, Colorado	DATE WHEN MADE 11-23-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-17-36	REPORT MADE BY G. J. ROSS MP
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: John R. Johnsey, #18508, interviewed at Colorado State Penitentiary, denies acquaintance with George H. "Burrhead" Keady, or knowledge of any hideouts or contacts Keady may have. Admits acquaintance with Sam Coker, Doc and Fred Barker, but claims limited to association at Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, and no outside association or work with them at any time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent John R. Welles, Oklahoma City, 11-11-36.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>AT CANON CITY, COLORADO</u></p> <p>Agent interviewed John R. Johnsey, #18508, at the Colorado State Penitentiary and Johnsey stated that he had been acquainted with Sam Coker, Doc and Fred Barker at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary but had never had any outside contacts with them. He stated that he had never met Harry Campbell, or at least had never been able to place him since reading of his recent capture by this Bureau.</p> <p>Johnsey further stated that he did not know Howard Allen, Ollie Orsendorf, or Milton Lett, although he may have come in contact with Orsendorf at some time inasmuch as he frequently went to the dog races when they were</p>			
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operated in Oklahoma and he seems to recall the name.

Johnsey also denied having any acquaintance with or knowledge of George H. "Burrhead" Keady or of any hideouts or contacts of Keady's. He stated that he associated mainly with one Dewey Shipling, a known criminal around Tulsa and was last with him in Joplin, Missouri in October, 1933. It should be noted, in this connection, that Johnsey has been incarcerated in the Colorado State Penitentiary since January, 1934 and has therefore had no recent contacts with his former associates.

When questioned generally as to his knowledge of any hideouts in Oklahoma or Texas, Johnsey stated that the only place he knew of that was used to any extent was a tourist home a few miles out of Gainesville, Texas, which he knew to have been used by Harvey Bailey, Wilber Underhill, and others whom he could not recall. Johnsey stated that he had been there himself, but could give no more definite information as to the location of this place.

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REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 11-24-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-14-36	REPORT MADE BY C. A. Mahan FC
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; Dr. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232 - et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Benson Groves with aliases not known at Evansville, Ind., to either police or to their informants.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Reference - Report of Special Agent F. E. Hurley, dated Louisville, Kentucky, 11-4-36.</p> <p>Details - At Evansville, Indiana</p> <p>Agent contacted Identification Officer Felker of the Evansville, Indiana, Police Department who advised, after searching his records and observing a photograph, that Benson Groves by his true name or any of his aliases was unknown to him and had no record with the Evansville Police Department. Mr. Felker questioned several of the members of the detective force, but none of them was acquainted with Groves.</p> <p>Mr. Felker advised that Grim Hollowell undoubtedly was Graham Hollowell, a local character who was in the liquor racket, and that Slaes was probably William Sales, also a bootlegger at Evansville. He stated that these two men were well-known to the local officials and that they would tell them anything that they knew. He assigned Detectives Perkins and Bell to accompany Agent to locate both Hollowell and Sales and secure any information desired.</p> <p>Accordingly, Hollowell was located by Officers Perkins and Bell at a house of prostitution at 631 N.W. First Street, Evansville,</p>			
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and interviewed by Agent. Hallowell stated that he had never heard of any person by the name of Groves or any of his aliases, and had never associated with any person by those names in the liquor racket around Evansville, Indiana. Upon being shown a photograph of Groves, Hallowell stated that it was rather vaguely familiar and that he believed that he had at one time in the past year or so seen such a person at a liquor joint run by Mattie Youngblood, but that he could not be sure of this. He stated that, if he should obtain any information regarding this person, and that he would keep his ears and eyes open, he would immediately notify the Evansville Police Department.

Mattie Youngblood was located at her home at 725 Keck Street, Evansville, Indiana, and she advised that she had not been running a liquor joint for several months. Upon questioning, she stated that she had never known any person by the name of Groves or any of his aliases. She was also unable to identify his picture as that of any of the habitués of her liquor joint. She stated that, if he had ever been seen therein, he had just dropped in for an occasional drink, and that she had never noticed any such person there and could state definitely that he was not a regular customer.

Officers Perkins and Bell requested that they be allowed to interview William Sales alone, as they stated that he would willingly tell them any information in his possession if questioned alone but that he would not know a thing if any strangers were around. Accordingly, they questioned Sales, and he informed them that he had never known any such person as Groves by that name or under any of his aliases, and advised that, if he should learn anything concerning Groves, he would immediately notify the Evansville Police Department.

Both Officers Perkins and Bell stated that they would endeavor to obtain information concerning Groves and would immediately notify the Indianapolis Field Division if they learned anything of value.

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Post Office Box 1278
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 24, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BREXID

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your telegram of November 23, 1936, requesting copies of indictments returned in this district on harboring cases, please be advised that I am transmitting herewith a copy of a conspiracy indictment returned in the Western District of Oklahoma in the case of Harek Underhill and others, which may be of some use to you.

Very truly yours,

DAUGET BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Bureau
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 25
1936

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith is a copy of a letter addressed to the Detroit Division from the Cleveland Division which is dated November 20, 1936, wherein it is requested that the Detroit Division contact Joseph Bell, Narcotic Agent, for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the identity of the Agents of the Narcotic Bureau who were planted in the Harvard Club, Cleveland, during the time an investigation was being made by the Narcotic Agents in Cleveland, Ohio, in May, 1935.

It was ascertained at the Narcotic Bureau, 804 Federal Building, Detroit, Michigan, that Joseph Bell is now Supervisor in Charge of the Minneapolis Office and can be reached there.

It is requested that the investigation requested in the letter from the Cleveland Division be conducted at an early date due to the fact that it is believed this case will be brought before the Grand Jury in Cleveland, Ohio, in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

Harold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 23, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Responsive to your telegram of today, I am transmitting herewith a copy of an indictment returned in the Eastern District of Oklahoma in a harboring case. There is one other case I have in mind, and I shall make an effort to obtain a copy of the indictment and forward it to you at a very early date. There is no information at hand to the effect that there is a transcript of any instructions of the Judge in any harboring cases tried in this district, as it appears that the defendants entered pleas of guilty in all such cases.

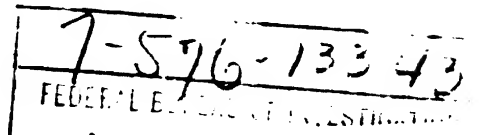
Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

Encl.

cc Bureau
Cincinnati

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

November 24, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your telegraphic request of November 23, 1936, there are transmitted herewith copies of the following indictments in harboring cases returned in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, which were furnished to Special Agent A. J. FORSTROM of this Division by Assistant United States Attorney Raymond Drymalaki:

Indictment No. 28341, United States of America
vs. Louis Piquett, et al.

Indictment No. 28344, United States of America
vs. William Francis Finerty, Ella Finerty and
Marie Marion Comfort.

Indictment No. 28321, United States of America
vs Louis Piquett.

Two copies of the transcript of the Court's instructions to the Jury in the case entitled, United States of America vs. Louis Piquett, No. 28321, are being transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1206 Tower Petroleum Building,
Dallas, Texas.

November 24, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: Brekid.

Dear Sir:-

In compliance with your telegraphic request of
11/24/36, attached hereto are copies of summary reports
in the case of FLOYD GARLAND HAMILTON; et al - HARBORING
FUGITIVES.

These summary reports, dated 2/2/35 and 2/22/35,
should be returned to the Dallas Field Division after having
served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

514 Edison Building,
Toledo, Ohio

November 23, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re - BREKID

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with instructions received from Inspector E. J. Connelley and Special Agent in Charge J. P. MacFarland there enclosed herewith direct from Toledo, Ohio a news article which appeared in the Toledo News-Bee of November 23, 1936 captioned with a large front page headline reading, "Toledo Nurse revealed as Karpis case heroine".

You will note that the article relates that Bobbie Robbleto aided the Bureau in the capture of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker. The story reads as if the information was given to the press by Emerich B. Freed, who was in Toledo, Ohio from November 23, 1936 to November 27, 1936, in conference with Special Agents A. P. Mitchin and E. J. Wynn concerning the harboring situation at Toledo, Ohio and Cleveland, Ohio. It is doubted that Mr. Freed gave this story to the newspaper reporters inasmuch as he has never been furnished the details of the part played by Miss Robbleto in the apprehension of Campbell and Coker.

Dr. Howard Murphy on November 25, 1936 contacted Special Agent E. J. Wynn by telephone and advised that two newspaper reporters from the News-Bee had called on him and demanded his story with reference to the part he played in the capture of Harry Campbell and Sam Coker, and that these reporters told him that they had obtained facts from the Post Office Inspectors indicating that he had in some manner aided Agents of the Bureau in effecting the arrests of Campbell and Coker. It is also to be recalled that the Cleveland Office has previously advised the Bureau with reference to the visit paid by the Post Office Inspectors to Miss Bobbie Robbleto at which time they manifested their antagonism toward the Bureau.

Miss Bobbie Robbleto, upon reading the enclosed newspaper article in the Toledo News-Bee, called the Cleveland Bureau Field Division and was advised to contact the writer at Toledo, Ohio, which she did. She stated that she forwarded a copy of the enclosed newspaper article to the Director with a letter asking for protection by Bureau Agents, inasmuch as Benson Groves, the unapprehended participant in the Garrettsville, Ohio Mail Train Robbery is still at large.

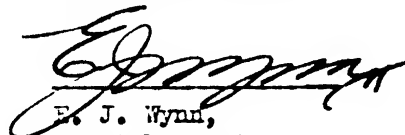
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Miss Robleto, upon interview, stated that she considered the publicity detrimental to her professional standing as a nurse and that she proposed to make a formal claim for the ward which was offered for information leading to the apprehension of Harry Campbell, indicating that she would address a letter to the Director in the very near future making such a claim.

Miss Robleto was advised that the Bureau in no way was responsible for the publicity mentioning her name, and that under the circumstances it would be impossible to afford her protection in the form of bodyguards as a result of the publicity.

Very truly yours,


E. J. Wynn,
Special Agent.

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Cleveland
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Chicago

404 New York Building
Saint Paul, Minnesota
November 24, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE:KID

Reference is being made to your telegram dated November 23, 1936, requesting that your office be furnished immediately copies of indictments returned in this district in harboring cases, and also a transcript of the Judge's charge to the jury in any such cases.

Through Mr. George Halsey, Assistant United States Attorney, Special Agent K. H. Williams obtained the requested indictments and charges to the jury, which are being enclosed herewith, as follows:

An indictment returned April 3, 1934
charging one Bessie Green with aliases;
Et Al, with harboring John Dillinger.

An indictment returned April 3, 1934
charging Thomas Gannon, alias Tommy
Gannon; Et Al, with harboring Homer
Van Meter.

An information charging Opal Clark
alias Opal Long, with harboring and
concealing one John Dillinger.

Two copies of the charge to the jury
in the case entitled The United States
versus Clayton A. May; Et Al, given by
Honorable Gunnar Nordbye to the Federal
Jury on May 22, 1934. One copy of this
charge is being retained in the St. Paul
file of instant case.

Very truly yours,

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C. W. STAIN

Special Agent in Charge

RE:ACF

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 25, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER.

DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Receipt is acknowledged of your memorandum of November 23 with reference to the case of Joe Adams in Florida.

Mr. McMahon is out of town and when speaking to him by telephone, I communicated the contents of your memorandum. He stated that he will communicate with you regarding the matter upon his return.

Lorraine Wall Hurney
LORRAINE WALL HURNEY
Secretary to Mr. McMahon.

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1206 Tower Petroleum Building,
Dallas, Texas.

November 23, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: Brekid.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your letter dated 11/14/36, there is enclosed herewith copy of indictment returned against FLOYD GARLAND JAMISON, et al - for HARBORING of CLYDE BARROW and BONNIE PARKER.

It will be impossible to secure the Court's charge to the Jury in this case until the return of Federal Judge Atwell from Wichita Falls, Texas; which will be sometime next week.

For your information, I desire to state that in the harboring case above mentioned, the Court allowed the introduction of newspaper articles containing information to the effect that a Federal warrant was outstanding against Clyde Barrow, and the Federal authorities were endeavoring to apprehend him.

The additional information requested in your letter of reference will be supplied you as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,
Special Agent in Charge.

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BRIEF FORWARD AND COPY SUMMARY REPORT BONNIE PARKER CLYDE BARROW
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Laboratory Report

Case:

November 25, 1936.

Number:

7-576-13290

Brakid

Specimens:

- K2. Known handwriting of Dolores Delaney consisting of the following:
Letter dated August, beginning "I've just heard**",
consisting of six photostatic sheets.
Letter dated August 20-36 beginning "I have been waiting**",
consisting of three photostatic sheets.
Letter dated September 9-36, beginning "I just received**",
consisting of three photostatic sheets.

Examination requested by:

Detroit

Date received:

11/19/36

Examination requested:

Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel

No conclusion was reached from a comparison of the handwriting of Dolores Delaney with the signatures "J. Bronson" on the package receipts, specimen 7-576-13162-9, as there are no clear characteristics in the specimens submitted which will enable the tendencies to be ascertained. Additional specimens of the writing of Dolores Delaney especially the writing of the name "J. Bronson" may enable a definite conclusion.

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November 25, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau November 19, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #1106154

cc - Cleveland 36
Cincinnati
Chicago
St. Paul

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NOVEMBER 27, 1936.

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,
CLEVELAND, OHIO.

BREXID FURNISH BUREAU WITH PHOTOGRAPH OF ANTHONY AMERSBACH.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 25, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL EMPLOYEES OF THE
OKLAHOMA CITY FIELD DIVISION:

Re: BREKID
(O.C. File 7-36)

Advices have been received from the Cleveland Field Division to the effect that the title of this case for report purposes is now GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim; Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice; Harboring of Fugitives; National Firearms Act.

You should be governed by the foregoing.

DB.
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau	McSwain	Barter
Buchanan	Murphy	Campbell
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Duggan	Redmond	Moore
Hoffman	Reed	Rice
Burt	Smith	Shaffer
Kingman	Welles	

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1133 Enquirer Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. G. GOC
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November 27, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: BRAND.

Reference is made to your letter in the above captioned matter, dated November 20, 1936, requesting that the Ohio State Bureau of Motor Vehicles be contacted in Columbus, Ohio, and arrangement made for the preservation of certain records which might be necessary in the trial of this case.

Please be advised that the Bureau of Motor Vehicles was contacted by Special Agent J. A. Cimperman and it was ascertained from Mr. Jack Bentz, Clerk, that the 1934 records will be destroyed some time during the month of May, 1937. However, a list of the automobiles furnished in your letter was left with Mr. Bentz who advised that the records pertaining to same would be preserved.

In reference to the 1934 Graham Paige Sedan, registered in 1935 to Mr. Anthony J. Amersbach, 7124 Clark Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, the records disclosed that this car was registered to the above party on January 1, 1935, and issued 1935 plates HY-655. The motor number of this car is 1031172, serial #1026143. In his application, Amersbach stated that this car was purchased as a used car on October 22, 1934, and was registered in Cuyahoga County. The Bill of Sale, therefore, is on record at the Clerk's Office, Court House, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland, Ohio, under number 2095727. The records here failed to disclose the color of this car.

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There is no 1934 registration for this car in the State of Ohio. The 1936 records disclose that the above car was sold to Chas. J. Carson, 2107 Concord Drive, Lakewood, Ohio, (1936 plates

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#OH-843) on March 31, 1936, by the Bailey Buick Co., 14400 Detroit Ave., Lakewood, Ohio. The Bill of Sale of same is on record at the Clerk's Office, Cuyahoga County Court House, Cleveland, Ohio, #2374643. There is no other registration on this car, or subsequent transfer.

Very truly yours,

cc Bureau ✓

E. J. CONNOLLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. E.A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Mr. Gandy

TELETYPE

FBI CLEVELAND NOVEMBER 27, 1936 9-30 PM EST AHH
DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID SINCE TALKING WITH MR TAMM THIS AFTERNOON
AGENT WYNN AT TOLEDO ADVISES HE HAS AGAIN CALLED ON THE ROBLETO
FAMILY.

SHE INTENDS FIRST CALLING IN THE NEWSPAPER RE-
PORTERS AND GIVING THEM THE COMPLETE STORY, MAYBE TELL A FEW STORIES,

MAC FARLAND

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OK FBI WASHINGTON DCCKS

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MR. TAMM

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Alvin Karpis

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 26, 1936.

Time - 12:00 noon

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SAC MacFarland telephoned me from the Cleveland Division to report that in this morning's Toledo News Bee, there is about a three-inch headline to the effect that a big cleanup is expected in Toledo, and that a Toledo nurse^{is} revealed as the heroine in the Karpis Case. The story goes on to say that this nurse aided in the capture of Campbell.

It appears that what the reporter has done is to interview the nurse, and MacFarland said that the paper reads as though the USA might have given out the information. This is hardly possible, however, in view of the fact that the USA has never been furnished with any information as to this nurse. There is a possibility, however, that someone connected with the Post Office Inspectors, or one of the Inspectors himself, pointed the way to this nurse.

I told Mr. MacFarland to make no comment to the press and to keep his ear to the ground and report to the Bureau any information he obtains as to the possible source of this information appearing in the papers.

Respectfully,

EAT.
E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

November 27, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In accordance with request contained in
Bureau telegram dated November 27, 1936, there is
attached hereto the most recent, available photo-
graph of Anthony Arersbach, Ohio State Penitentiary
No. 47714.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland
J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 28, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE.

Re: BREKID.

AS a result of his examination of specimens submitted by the Detroit Field Division in connection with the above-entitled case and received in the laboratory November 19, 1936, Mr. Appel, the #1 examiner, reports that he has been unable to reach a conclusion as to whether Dolores Delaney wrote the questioned signature "E. Bronson" appearing on specimen Q9 and requests additional known specimens.

Mr. Pickering, associate examiner, reports that in his opinion Dolores Delaney did not write the questioned signature.

Accordingly, the more conservative opinion of Mr. Appel has been furnished the Detroit Field Division.

SP/
E. P. Correy.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

CHESEBROUGH
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Time: 9:20 P.M. November 26, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

At this time I called the Cleveland Field Division and talked with Mr. Callan there. I told him that certain publicity had come to my attention regarding two raids that were to be conducted by this Bureau in Toledo. He stated that he understood such to be the case.

I advised Mr. Callan to contact Mr. Wynn at Toledo and endeavor to ascertain the source of this information in order that the Bureau could be immediately informed.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
November 27, 1936.

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

The Bureau, as you know, has a letter from Bobbie Robletto, the nurse in Toledo who gave us some information in the Karpis matter, in which she appears very much upset and says she doesn't know which way to turn, and she thought her name was going to be kept out of this, etc.

I telephoned MacFarland at Cleveland and told him that we want to make sure that this woman realizes that it is not the Bureau who is giving this information to the papers. He said that Wynn has explained this to her, and he believes she understands, but she is so upset and unsettled that it has somewhat affected her mind, and Mr. MacFarland believes that in a few days she will return to her normal self and everything will be all right.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 28, 1936

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Personal and Confidential

Dear Sir:

Re: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232,
Et Al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-Victim.
Kidnaping; Obstruction of Justice;
Harboring of Fugitives; National
Firearms Act.

This will serve to acknowledge receipt of Bureau letter dated November 16, 1936 (Bureau file 7-576), relative to mail cover arranged at Wann, Oklahoma on mail received and sent by the Lett family.

Mail cover was originally requested in a contact made by former Special Agent Paul Hansen with Chauncey Strain, Postmaster at Wann, Oklahoma, on this mail during the fall of 1935, when it was believed that correspondence might be had through this family with the relatives of Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Request for the mail cover was renewed during January of 1936 by Special Agents Paul Hansen and John B. Little and from time to time contacts have been made with Mr. Strain, the Postmaster at Wann, Oklahoma.

George Hill, Post Office Inspector at Tulsa, Oklahoma, at no time advised the Oklahoma City Field Division that he was receiving mail tracings, and he did not make any such tracings available.

Subsequent to the verbal request made by Special Agent L. E. Kingman for mail tracings at Wann, Oklahoma on October 27, 1936, a letter dated November 3, 1936, copy of which was routed to the Bureau, was written to Mr. Chauncey Strain, Postmaster, Wann, confirming this request for mail cover and furnishing Mr. Strain with a supply of onion-skin paper and self-addressed envelopes.

Since this renewal of mail cover at Wann, only two tracings have been received from the Postmaster; one of a letter addressed to

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Charlie Lett, Wann, Oklahoma, bearing no return address, but postmarked Wichita, Kansas, November 4, 1936, which appears to have been written by Jane Lett Collins of 150 Lula Street, Wichita, sister of Milton Lett. This person is, according to Mr. Strain, the most frequent correspondent with members of the Lett family at Wann. The other tracing was of a letter addressed to Mrs. Maggie Lett, Wann, Oklahoma, which bore no return address and was postmarked Binger, Oklahoma, November 14, 1936. Investigation is now in progress by the Oklahoma City Field Division in an effort to ascertain the identity of the person mailing the last mentioned letter.

Close attention will be given by the Oklahoma City Field Division to all mail tracings received from the Postmaster at Wann, Oklahoma in the instant matter.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Chicago
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland

December 2, 1936

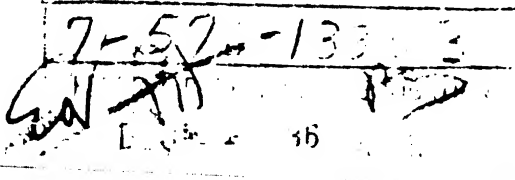
MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Lack of Cooperation by
Post Office Inspectors.

The report of Special Agent L. E. Kingman, Oklahoma City, dated November 5, 1936, submitted in the case entitled Alvin Karpis, with aliases, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim, Kidnaping, contains information concerning Agent Kingman's efforts to locate Milton Lett, who is wanted by the Bureau in connection with harboring Alvin Karpis and other members of the gang.

During the course of this investigation, Agent Kingman interviewed Chauncey Strain, Postmaster at Wann, Oklahoma. Mr. Strain advised Agent Kingman that he had not been forwarding tracings of mail received by the Lett family at Wann, Oklahoma to the Oklahoma City Field Division because recently during a visit to Wann by George Hill, Post Office Inspector of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Hill had informed him that it was not necessary for Strain to take duplicate tracings, but that the tracings which Strain was forwarding to the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, at their request, would be available to Agents of this Bureau. A renewal of the mail cover was requested and Mr. Strain stated that henceforth he would furnish tracings to both the Oklahoma City Field Division and the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa.

Further information was requested of the Oklahoma City Field Division concerning the placing of the mail cover and under date of November 28, 1936 the Bureau was advised that the original mail cover was requested by former Special Agent Paul Hansen during the fall of 1935, when it was believed that correspondence might be had through this family with the relatives of Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma. The request for the mail cover was renewed during January, 1936 by former Special Agent Hansen and Special Agent John B. Little and from time to time contacts were made with Mr. Strain concerning the mail cover. Mr. Brantley advised the Bureau that George Hill at no time advised the Oklahoma City Field Division that he was receiving mail tracings of the mail received by the Lett family at Wann, Oklahoma and has not at any time made such tracings available.



December 2, 1936

Since Agent Kingman's last visit to Wann, Oklahoma, Mr. Strain has forwarded two tracings, one of a letter addressed to Charlie Lett, Wann, Oklahoma, bearing no return address but postmarked at Wichita, Kansas, November 4, 1936, which appears to have been written by Jane Lett Collins, sister of Milton Lett. The other tracing was of a letter addressed to Mrs. Maggie Lett, mother of Milton Lett, which bore no return address, but was postmarked at Binger, Oklahoma, November 14, 1936.

Instructions have been issued to the Oklahoma City Field Division to give prompt and vigorous attention to all tracings received and Mr. Brantley in his letter of November 28th advised that the investigation was going forward at Binger, to determine the identity of the sender of the letter to Maggie Lett.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

Jacksonville FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-29-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-27-36	REPORT MADE BY S. K. McKee
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. 1232 et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Records of Pan-American Airways, Miami, Fla. do not reflect that Wayne Preston travelled from Miami, Fla. to Havana, Cuba from 5-1-35 to 11-25-36. Passenger records of Peninsula & Occidental Steamship Company are located at Jacksonville, Fla.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>DETAILS: This investigation is based upon oral instructions received from Inspector E. J. Connelley that the passenger records of the Pan-American Airways and the Peninsular & Occidental Steamship Company be checked for the name of Wayne Preston for travel between Miami, Fla. and Havana, Cuba during the period extending from May 1, 1935 to date. It is to be stated that information has been obtained from ██████████ at Toledo, Ohio that Wayne Preston was one of the participants in the mail truck robbery at Warren, Ohio on April 25, 1935, in which Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were also involved, and that it is desirable to ascertain his location as he is a potential subject in the harboring investigation now being conducted at Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio. Any information as to Preston which is obtained should be transmitted to the Cleveland Field Division for their use in the harboring investigation.</p> <p>Through Mr. James B. Bryan, Inspector in Charge, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Labor, Miami, Fla., it was learned that all immigration records for this district are maintained at the offices of the service in Jacksonville, Fla. with the exception of current records for a period of a week or ten days, and that access to the records may be had at Jacksonville.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>P. B. Nathan</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>P.E.J.</i>	
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Mr. E. N. Parker, Reservation Section, Pan-American Airways, was contacted at the airways base at Coconut Grove, Fla. and access was obtained to the weight records as maintained by the company, which contain the names of all outbound passengers departing from the base. These records were searched for the name of Wayne Preston for the period of May 1, 1935 to November 25, 1936, but no record of him was found. A record was located covering the departure of one Wayne Walton on August 7, 1935 via Plane #NC 752-V for Maracaibo, Venezuela travelling by way of Havana, Cuba. The weight of this man was reflected as 74.9 kil. (approximately 166 lbs.) and it was indicated that he travelled on an American Passport. No other data was shown.

At the offices of the Clyde-Mallory Line, agents for the Peninsular & Occidental Company in Miami, Fla., it was ascertained that all passenger manifests for the Peninsular & Occidental Steamship Company are maintained in the general offices of the company and may be secured through Mr. Austin G. Williamson, General Freight & Passenger Agent, Florida National Bank Building, Jacksonville, Fla. It was also learned that the Peninsular & Occidental Steamship Company is the only boat line maintaining regular service between Miami, Fla. and Havana, Cuba.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CLEVELAND FIELD DIVISION: Is requested to furnish the Washington Field Division with a photograph of Wayne Preston for use in the investigation which is being requested herein.

WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION: As soon as photograph of Wayne Preston has been received from the Cleveland Field Division, will contact the Passport Division, Department of State, and ascertain whether Wayne Walton who departed from Miami, Fla. for Maracaibo, Venezuela, on August 7, 1935 via Pan-American Airways is identical with Wayne Preston. Will also obtain search of the passport records of the Department of State to ascertain if a passport was issued to Wayne Preston during the years 1935 and 1936.

JACKSONVILLE FIELD DIVISION: Will contact Mr. Austin G. Williamson of the Peninsular & Occidental Steamship Company, Jacksonville, Fla. for access to passenger manifests of the company covering passage from Miami, Fla. to Havana, Cuba during the period from May 1, 1935 to date, and will search these records for the name of Wayne Preston and logical variations.

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November 30, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Pursuant to your request of Mr. Tamm on Saturday morning, I am transmitting herewith copies of brief memoranda outlining the details of the kidnappings of Charles F. Urschel and Edward G. Bremer. With reference to the Bremer Kidnaping case, I desire to point out that the identification of Arthur R. Barker through the finding of his fingerprint upon a gasoline can of course indicated to the Bureau the probable identity of the associates of Arthur Barker in this kidnaping, since the membership of most notorious criminal gangs is as familiar to Bureau Agents as is the identity of members of a major league ball club to ardent sport fans.

At the close of business on Saturday, November 28, 1936, there was a total of 6,182,232 fingerprints on file in the Identification Division of the Bureau. Of this number, 233,706 are civil identification prints.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

Enclosure #863677

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November 18, 1936

MEMORANDUM

On January 17, 1934 Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, was kidnaped between 8:30 and 9:00 A. M. immediately after he had driven his daughter to the Summit School. The kidnaping was effected by five men using two automobiles. Mr. Bremer was transported by automobile from St. Paul, Minnesota to Bensenville, Illinois by Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, William Weaver and Arthur R. Barker, who also acted as guards over Mr. Bremer while the latter was being held. Mr. Bremer was held in a house occupied by Harold Alderton until \$200,000 had been extorted from the Bremer family as ransom. Mr. Bremer was released about 8:00 P.M. on February 7, 1934 at Rochester, Minnesota by his abductors.

After Mr. Bremer's release he described various sounds which he had heard while being held in Bensenville, Illinois. He also described the wallpaper which was on the wall in the room in which he was held and likewise was able to describe the furniture located in the room and its relative position with other rooms in the house. He was also able to furnish information concerning the return trip from Bensenville, Illinois to Rochester, Minnesota. Mr. Bremer estimated that after approximately one-half of the distance had been covered between the hide-out house and Rochester, Minnesota the car in which he was being returned turned off from the paved road and after ten or fifteen minutes the car pulled to the side of the road and the two men who were in the front seat of the car with him and the one in the rear seat guarding him got out of the car and took therefrom at least two gasoline cans containing gasoline. He heard his abductors pour gasoline into the tank of the car in which he was riding, after which the journey was resumed. He recalled that his abductors at the time the tank of the automobile was refueled turned off the paved highway because he heard gravel striking the windows of the car.

On February 10, 1934 the Sheriff of Columbia County, Wisconsin turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation four large gasoline cans and a tin funnel which had been found by a farmer near Portage, Wisconsin. Due to the information furnished by Mr. Bremer concerning the refueling of the automobile used in the return trip from the hide-out house, Special Agents immediately forwarded the gasoline cans to the Technical Laboratory of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C. The laboratory examination of the gasoline cans revealed a latent fingerprint, which fingerprint was identified as being the right index fingerprint of Arthur R. Barker.

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During the negotiations for the payment of the \$200,000 ransom, Walter Magee, a contractor living in St. Paul, Minnesota and a close friend of the Bremer family, was designated as the intermediary and on the evening of February 6, 1934 Magee, following the instructions of the kidnapers, drove to the address at 909 University Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving at that point at approximately 8:00 P.M., where he found parked in front of that address a Chevrolet coupe bearing Shell Oil Company signs on each door. Mr. Magee transferred the money from the Ford coupe to the Chevrolet, in the left front pocket of which he found a note furnishing him additional instructions for the payment of the ransom money. Mr. Magee proceeded to Farington, Minnesota and there followed a bus to Caron Falls, Minnesota and hence to Zumbrota, Minnesota. From this place Mr. Magee drove four or five miles until he saw four red lights on the left side of the road on the bank of a hill. It was at this place that he left the ransom money.

On February 8, 1934 Special Agents retraced the route taken by Walter Magee at the time the ransom was paid and several miles south of Zumbrota, Minnesota, four flashlights were found equipped with red filmolens. After the finding of these lights, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation began tracing them and it was learned that flashlights of similar make were sold at the F. & W. Grand Silver Store in St. Paul, Minnesota. Alvin Karpis was identified as the purchaser of these flashlights. Thus two of the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer had been identified.

Special Agents began an intensive investigation to locate Arthur R. Barker, Alvin Karpis and their associates. The investigation revealed that Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Harry Campbell, William Weaver, Fred Goetz, Fred Barker and Volney Davis were in St. Paul, Minnesota on the morning of Mr. Bremer's abduction. At various apartments which had been occupied by this gang and their women associates in St. Paul it was found that they had been vacated on January 15, 1934 and the women members of the gang proceeded to Chicago, Illinois.

On January 21, 1935 an indictment was returned against Arthur R. Barker, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, William J. Harrison, Bryan Bolton, Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Oliver A. Berg, John J. McLaughlin, Sr., Edna Murray, Myrtle Eaton, Jess Doyle, William Vidler, Philip Delaney and James Wilson.

On April 15, 1935 the trial of Arthur R. Barker, Oliver Berg, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, Jess Doyle, Edna Murray, Philip Delaney, William Vidler, James Wilson and Bryan Bolton began in the Federal Courts Building, St. Paul, Minnesota. Over strenuous objections of the defense counsel the gasoline cans one of which bore the fingerprint of Arthur R. Barker were introduced into evidence. An employee of the Technical Laboratory of the Federal Bureau of Investigation qualified as an expert witness and in simple language which was capable of being understood by everyone, explained briefly the science of fingerprinting and declared that the possibility of the fingerprint found on the gasoline can being that of anyone other than Arthur R. Barker would only be one chance in several billion and declared emphatically that the possibility of there being a duplication of fingerprints was so remote as to be out of the question entirely.

On May 17, 1935 in St. Paul, Minnesota, Arthur R. Barker, Oliver Berg, James Wilson, Harold Alderton and John J. McLaughlin, Sr. were found guilty of conspiracy to kidnap. On the same date, life sentences were given to Barker and Berg. Philip Delaney and William Vidler were acquitted. Harold Alderton was sentenced to serve twenty years' imprisonment and Elmer Farmer, who pleaded guilty during the course of the trial, was also sentenced to serve twenty years' imprisonment. Bryan Bolton on August 25, 1935 was sentenced to serve three years' imprisonment. Volney Davis was apprehended at Chicago, Illinois on June 1, 1935 and on June 3, 1935 entered a plea of guilty to conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Bremer and was sentenced to serve life imprisonment. On June 7, 1935 James J. Wilson and John J. McLaughlin, Sr. were each sentenced to serve five years' imprisonment.

On September 1, 1935 William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were taken into custody by Special Agents near Allandale, Florida. On September 27, 1935 a new indictment was returned at St. Paul, Minnesota which in addition to charging the persons already under indictment with conspiracy to kidnap, also included as a defendant Cassius McDonald, who investigation revealed had exchanged \$71,000 of the Bremer ransom money in Havana, Cuba for money which could not be identified by the serial numbers.

The second Bremer trial began at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 6, 1936 and on January 14, 1936 the jury returned a verdict

of guilty against the three defendants who were on trial, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer and Cassius McDonald. William Weaver and Harry Sawyer were sentenced to serve life imprisonment on January 24, 1936 and on February 1, 1936 Cassius McDonald was sentenced to serve fifteen years in a Federal penitentiary.

The conspiracy indictments against Myrtle Eaton, Jess Doyle and Edna Murray were dismissed. Jess Doyle was returned to the State of Nebraska, where he entered a plea of guilty to robbing a bank and was sentenced to serve ten years in the Nebraska State Penitentiary. Edna Murray was returned to the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, from which institution she was an escapee and at which place she was under a twenty-five year sentence for highway robbery.

Myrtle Eaton was indicted at Tampa, Florida on February 26, 1936 for harboring William Weaver and on June 8, 1936 at Jacksonville, Florida, Myrtle Eaton was found guilty of harboring Weaver and sentenced to serve six months in jail and to pay a fine of \$1,000.00.

Alvin Karpis was taken into custody by Special Agents at New Orleans, Louisiana on May 1, 1936, at which time he was accompanied by one Fred Hunter. Karpis admitted his guilt in the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer and also admitted his guilt in the kidnaping of William A. Hamm, Jr., who was kidnaped at St. Paul, Minnesota on June 15, 1935. Karpis entered a plea of guilty to the indictment charging him with the kidnaping of Mr. Hamm and was sentenced to serve life imprisonment. Fred Hunter was indicted at New Orleans on May 27, 1936 for harboring Alvin Karpis, to which indictment he entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to serve two years in the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia.

Harry Campbell was arrested by Special Agents at Toledo, Ohio on May 7, 1936 and on May 12, 1936 entered a plea of guilty at St. Paul, Minnesota to the crime of kidnaping Mr. Bremer, and was sentenced to serve life imprisonment.

Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, were also implicated in the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer. However, when they were located by Special Agents at Oklawaha, Florida on January 16, 1935 they resisted arrest, a gun battle ensued and Fred and Kate Barker were killed. At the time of the death of Kate and Fred Barker, other fugitives in this case, Wynona Burdette, Harry Campbell, Alvin Karpis and Dolores

Delaney, were hiding at Miami, Florida, but upon receipt of the news of the death of their associates they fled to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney were captured on January 20, 1935 and subsequently these two women were removed to Miami, Florida, where they entered pleas of guilty to indictments charging them with harboring Alvin Karpis and for misprision of a felony and each was sentenced to serve five years in the Federal Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan.

On January 8, 1935 Russell Gibson, who was under indictment for conspiracy to kidnap Mr. Bremer, was killed by Special Agents at Chicago, Illinois while resisting arrest.

During the time that Edna Murray was a fugitive, she was harbored by her brother, Harry C. Stanley and his wife, Mary Stanley. On March 11, 1935 these individuals were convicted, for harboring the Murray woman, in Federal Court in the District of Kansas and Harry C. Stanley was sentenced to serve six months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of \$1,000. Mary Stanley was placed on probation for five years.

Eighteen persons have been convicted in connection with the kidnaping of Mr. Bremer and sentences imposed have aggregated six life sentences and eighty-six years. Three persons were killed while resisting arrest and two members of the mob were murdered by members of the underworld, the latter two individuals being William J. Harrison and Fred Goetz. Dr. Joseph P. Moran disappeared during July of 1934 and it is believed that he was murdered by members of the Karpis-Barker gang, but his body has never been located.

404 NEW YORK BUILDING
SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
November 26, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir

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Referring to letter from the Cleveland Division to the Detroit Division, dated November 25, 1936, in which it was requested that Joseph Bell, Narcotic Agent, be contacted relative to the Narcotic Agents who were planted at the Harvard Club in Cleveland in May, 1935, Mr. Bell was interviewed this date at Minneapolis.

Mr. Bell stated that he recalled an interview with former Special Agent Muzzey and that to the best of his, Mr. Bell's recollection, the Harvard Club was not mentioned; that no Narcotic Agents were ever planted there; that the only connection the Detroit Narcotic Office ever had with the Harvard Club must have been relative to purchases of narcotics made by "stools", who were obtained from time to time among the employees of the club.

Mr. Bell further advised that he had never personally been in the place, but that the operators of the various gambling devices and games at the club were sometimes addicted to the use of narcotics and may have been used as informants by his department. Mr. Bell stated that he was unable to give the names of any of these addicts, but that they would have been regular employees of the gambling house.

Mr. Bell further suggested that any additional information would of necessity have to be obtained from the files of the Narcotic Office in Detroit. Therefore you are requested to endeavor to secure that information from that office.

Very truly yours,

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C. W. STAIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
November 27, 1936.

Time - 5:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases in Toledo.

14 I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Cincinnati with reference to all of the publicity which has been coming out in the papers at Toledo concerning this matter, and told him that it is the Bureau's opinion that somewhere behind all of this is United States Attorney Freed. Mr. Connelley said that the probabilities are that if any information has prematurely appeared in the papers about this matter, United States Attorney Freed is behind it, and also possibly Assistant United States Attorney Manton. Manton is the Assistant USA who was supposed to have been left out of this picture for the reason that his brother-in-law is one of the three newspaper men named in the file of this case as possibly being a participant in the payoff in Toledo.

As to the possibilities of Freed giving out this information, Mr. Connelley said that our summary report contains all of the information concerning the participation of this nurse in this matter, with the possible exception of a few minor details as to how we picked her up, etc. However, the Post Office Inspectors talked with her and then discussed the case with Freed, and with the information contained in the summary report and that given to him by the Inspectors, he would have practically a complete picture of the entire matter.

I suggested to Mr. Connelley that he get in touch with Freed on the telephone tonight, advise him of this publicity, and tell him that since all of this is coming out, we knew he would want it called to his attention. I told Mr. Connelley that what we would like to do is to get a definite commitment from Freed that he has or has not given anything to the press concerning this matter. Mr. Connelley said that while he is quite sure Freed will deny that he has given anything out, he would be glad to get in touch with him and see what his reactions are.

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If Mr. Connelley gets anything definite from his inquiries tonight, he will call me back. He said that he would talk with Fynn about this matter, too, and try to wake him up as to what is going on, since he apparently is drawing a bunch of conclusions which are not consistent with the facts of the matter as they actually stand.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 27, 1936.

Time - 4:45 P.M.

~~MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR~~

Re: Harboring Cases in Toledo.

SAC MacFarland telephoned me from the Cleveland Office to report that he has just learned one of the Toledo papers is carrying another big blast about the above entitled matter. The headlines are "Toledoans Face Indictment in Grand Jury Probe Here", "Six or Seven named in Harboring Conspiracy". The articles continue to the effect that a nurse in Toledo paid a social visit to the apartment of Harry Campbell, she being a friend of Sam Coker. Special Agent Wynn over at Toledo has informed Mr. MacFarland that this nurse is presently confined in her home ill as a result of all of this publicity, and she states that the newspaper reporters have hounded her, and that she contemplates calling the Director of the Bureau about the situation and asking that something be done to free her from encroachment by the reporters. I told MacFarland that I would like to know what she thinks we can do about it; that it should be made clear to her that we haven't given out anything on this case.

As to the possible source of this information, Agent Wynn is of the opinion that no official has released any information at all. It is his belief that Dr. Murphy, the physician who treated Sam Coker, is possibly the source of this information. He said that Dr. Murphy has been the object of much kidding on the part of his associates in the hospital because of his activities in this matter, and it is not impossible that these associates have gotten the entire story as to what occurred on the night in question, and in turn gave it to reporters. Mr. Wynn further points out that there is a dire lack of newspaper material for publicity up in Toledo at this time, and the papers are jumping on every thread that they can find and are making it into something big through the usual newspaper tactics.

It might be pointed out that in all of the publicity which has emanated in connection with this matter, the names of the possible subjects are not shown. If their names come out, or any other information appears having a direct bearing on our specific interest in this matter, the Bureau will be immediately notified.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
514 Edison Bldg.,
Toledo, Ohio.

AIR MAIL SPECIAL

November 27, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE:-BARKER

Dear sir:-

Reference is made to the letter from Toledo, O., dated November 23, 1936, forwarding a news article which appeared in the Toledo News-Bee of that date entitled 'Toledo Nurse Revealed as Karpis Case Heroine.'

There is enclosed herewith a news article which appeared in the Toledo Blade of November 27, 1936, captioned 'Toledoans Face Indictments in Federal Jury Gang Probe'. You will note that this article states that indictments of a sensational nature will be sought against six or seven Toledoans, including prominent persons, as well as several Northern Ohio residents by Federal authorities as a result of the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang, and the \$34,000 Garrettsville, Ohio mail robbery. Mention is also made of Benson Groves, with aliases, as being the unapprehended participant in this mail robbery.

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It is stated that the indictments to be sought will include charges of harboring and conspiracy to harbor as well as actual participation in the mail robbery, and that several hundred persons have been questioned since last August in Toledo, and that "Federal investigators have maintained silence on what their investigations revealed, but from numerous sources it is known that both (FBI and Postoffice Inspectors) struck pay dirt early in the case, and that the indictments to be sought will be based on evidence unearthed during the investigation by both the Green and Postal Inspectors."

This article also mentions the part played by Dr. Howard Murphy and the nurse, Lobbie Robbleto, in the apprehension of Sam Coker and Harry Campbell, however, neither the name of Dr. Murphy or Miss Robbleto appears.

As you were advised in my letter of November 26th, Miss Robbleto is greatly concerned over the publicity. She called me several times today, and stated that the newspaper reporters had been calling at her home all day, requesting interviews with her in order to obtain her version of the incident; that, however, she refused to see them. She further stated that the publicity has made her ill, and indicated that she was so upset that

I called at the home of Bobbie Robbleto the evening of November 27th, for the purpose of as uring her that the Bureau, in no way, had anything to do with the publicity, and also for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the source of the information. She stated that she did not talk to any newspaper reporters, altho they called at her home on Wednesday evening. She was not at home at the time, and they talked to her mother, but the latter also stated that she gave them no information. The newspaper reporters have been to the home on at least a half dozen occasions since. One of the reporters told the mother of Bobbie Robbleto that the original information came from Mr. E.B. Freed, the United States Attorney of Cleveland, Ohio. Information was contained in the letter of reference to the effect that Mr. Freed had not been furnished full particulars with reference to the part played by Miss Robbleto in the apprehension. This statement was not altogether correct, inasmuch as it appears that there is considerable information contained in the Summary report of Special Agent E.J. Wynn, Cleveland, O., 10/25/36, pages 364 to 367 inclusive.

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Miss Robbleto, at the time of the interview on November 27, 1936, was considerable excited, and threatened to call in the newspapers and give them the complete story. [REDACTED] During the course of the conversation with her, as well as with her mother, it was brought out that since the apprehension of Campbell and Coker in Toledo, O., on May 7, 1936, they have discussed the case with friends, and with other relatives, and they stated that several of Mrs. Robbleto's sisters are prone to do a great deal of talking. It was also brought out that the matter has been discussed at the Mercy Hospital, where Coker was nursed by Miss Robbleto, on frequent occasions since the date of May 7, 1936.

The writer, from his investigations at the Mercy Hospital, since May 7, 1936, is personally acquainted with the fact that Dr. Howard Murphy has been the object of considerable joking about his contact with Agents of the FBI at the time of the arrest of Coker and Campbell. Dr. D.J. O'Leary, for example, has related to the writer on several occasions, that the doctor's and nurses at Mercy Hospital, for some time after May 7, 1936, would, in a joking way, ask Dr. Murphy, -'Have the G Men had you again'.

It is suggested that there is a possibility that the newspaper reporters received their first lead either as the result of some friend or relative of Miss Robbleto talking, or through some person at Mercy Hospital.

As set out in the letter of reference, Miss Robbleto forwarded a letter to the Bureau on November 26, 1936. She is looking forward with keen interest a reply from the Director.

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1 encl for Bureau.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Wynn
Special Agent.

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Coker's bloodless capture was the result of an illness that laid him low while he was tucked away in his Toledo hideout.

A reputable Toledo physician who had been summoned to give Coker treatment assigned the nurse to his case without guessing that the patient was one of the most widely sought criminals in the United States.

A friendly relation between Coker and the nurse continued after the gangster's illness had been cured.

Patients Scrutinized

The physician's first knowledge that he had brushed close to a G-man episode came a few hours after the arrest of Coker and Campbell.

The actions of two strange men who suddenly appeared in the physician's waiting rooms and subjected every patient who entered to the closest sort of scrutiny were explained when the men identified themselves to the doctor as FBI operators.

While a watch over the waiting room and a check on incoming telephone calls were maintained, the leader of the G-man detail announced the true identity of the patient of weeks before and put the physician through an exhaustive quiz.

When investigation had corroborated the physician's story, the federal agents told him that the nurse's association with Coker had placed her in a delicate position.

Watch Withdrawn

The watch on the physician's office was withdrawn when the federal men had satisfied themselves that so far as the physician was concerned, Coker had been no more than the casual patient making a

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The underworld and several
prominent persons here have had
a bad case of jitters ever since it
became known that the federal in-
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One Still at Large

All but one man accused of the mail robbery has been apprehended. He is Benjamin Greyson, alias Benson Groves, alias B. J. Grayson, alias Soup Groves, alias Old Ben. Groves is an oldtime mail robber, served time and was living in Toledo, joining the gang, federal authorities say, when Sam Coker, captured by G-men in a raid here last May, was taken ill and unable to participate in the robbery.

Harry Campbell, chief lieutenant of the Barker-Karpis gang, sought for the Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul, was captured in his apartment in the 2100 block of Monroe street by the G-men under the personal direction of J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, the same morning Coker was taken into custody.

The indictments to be sought, in Toledo and Cleveland, it is said, will charge actual participation in the robbery, harboring and conspiracy.

Used House at Point

Investigation of activities of the Barker-Karpis gang here began with the capture in 1934 of James Wilson, member of the gang, who turned government witness and revealed for the first time that the Barkers, Ma, Fred and Doc, Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis, Bill Weaver and others who had participated in the kidnaping of Bremer, had fled

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Post Office Box 4907,
JACKSONVILLE, Florida.

November 30, 1936.

Honorable Herbert S. Phillips,
United States Attorney,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 21, 1936, transmitting a communication received from Mrs. F. H. Roberts, 14 Bay Street, St. Augustine, Florida, in which she advises that one ROLAND G. WILLIAMS might be identical with Louis Piquett. It is noted that Mrs. Roberts states that she knew Piquett in 1934 at Daytona Beach, Florida.

When next an Agent of this office is in St. Augustine arrangements will be made to call upon Mrs. Roberts to determine the nature of any information which she might have and to determine whether it involves a violation of any Federal Statute.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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December 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated
October 22, 1936, in which you were instructed to
conduct an immediate investigation at Hammond,
Indiana, in an effort to ascertain the present
whereabouts of Benson Groves.

You are instructed to immediately advise
the Bureau as to the progress of this investigation.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 11-30-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-17 to 20-36	REPORT MADE BY EUGENE X. HUMPHREY ala
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation indicates that Benson Groves is not living at the home of his sister at Hammond, Indiana. Arrangements made to have the Indianapolis Field Division notified immediately if Groves shows up. Further arrangements made to endeavor to obtain Groves' present address from his sister, if known to her.

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Reference: Bureau letter dated October 22, 1936.

Details: **AT HAMMOND, INDIANA**

Agent ascertained from Mr. Otto H. Rabe, Assistant Postmaster, that Mr. George C. Clemens, who resides at #4, Waltham Street, Hammond, Indiana, was Postmaster at Hammond during 1931 and 1932 while Groves was in the United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Rabe asserted that Mr. Clemens is no longer connected with the Postal Department.

At the Post Office, Agent also talked to Mr. J. A. Borchardt of 6233 Van Buren Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, the carrier on the route delivering mail to the home of the Fryer (not Fryar, according to Mr. Borchardt) family. Mr. Borchardt advised that Mr. Frank Molesberger of 6238 Van Buren Avenue, who operates a filling station on the corner of Conkey Avenue and Van Buren Avenue, Mr. and Mrs. John Flaherty of 6221

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Van Buren Avenue, and Mr. Palmer Singleton of 6232 Van Buren Avenue, are neighbors of the Fryer family who could be openly contacted without danger of their talking of the incident to the Fryer family. Mr. Borchardt stated that he resides just across the street from the Fryers (as is shown by the letter from the Chicago Field Division to the Cleveland Field Division dated October 13, 1936), and that he believes that if Groves were living at the Fryer home, he, Borchardt, would have seen him at some time or another. He stated that he has not seen Groves at any time to his knowledge. Borchardt asserted that he believed as to neighbors in the block other than those mentioned before in this report, it might be best to merely show them the photograph of Groves and inquire if they had seen anyone answering the description, unless Agent desired to have a lot of gossip going around the neighborhood. Borchardt stated that Mr. Guy Abbott of 6221 Van Buren Street is an exception to this statement, but subsequent attempts to contact Mr. Abbott at his home at various hours of the day gave negative results. Borchardt stated that Mr. Palmer Singleton, previously mentioned, is perhaps one of the most trustworthy of all the neighbors -- a very high class man. Borchardt specifically warned Agent not to contact Mrs. Perry of 6238 Van Buren Avenue, if it is deemed desirable at this time not to let Mrs. Fryer, Groves' sister, know of the inquiries. Borchardt classed Mr. and Mrs. Fryer as high type persons, and thought it possible that Mrs. Fryer might tell Agent what she knows, if anything, concerning the present location of her brother, if openly contacted by Agent. This opinion is shared by Mr. and Mrs. John Flaherty, neighbors of the Fryers, who will be mentioned later in this report. On the other hand, Captain Sendor Singer of the Hammond Police Department, Mr. Frank Molesberger, and Mr. Palmer Singleton, all of whom are neighbors of the Fryer family, although all speaking highly of the character of Mr. and Mrs. Fryer, hesitated to say whether Mrs. Fryer would inform of her brother's whereabouts under the afore-mentioned circumstances.

In view of Agent Mullins' recent contact with Mr. and Mrs. Fryer under pretext in which she denied knowing her brother's present address and in view of other arrangements made at this time to be set forth later in this report, Agent did not contact the Fryer family or Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fryer of 6615 Jackson Avenue, Hammond, Indiana, who were found to be the brother-in-law and his wife of Mrs. Ida Fryer, Groves' sister. It is being left to the discretion of the office of origin whether the Indianapolis Field Division is to openly contact the two mentioned Fryer families, if no information should be forth-coming from its present arrangements, and the families will not be contacted in the absence of instructions from the office of origin or the Bureau to contract them either openly or under pretext.

Mr. and Mrs. John Flaherty, 6221 Van Buren Avenue, were contacted by Agent and shown the picture of Groves. They advised that although the picture looked familiar, still, they could not make a positive identification. They further stated that they are certain that they have never

seen Groves at the Fryer home, and that if he were living there, they would be in a position to know it as the Fryer home is directly across the street from the Flaherty home. Mr. Flaherty explained that possibly the idea he has that he has seen Groves' face or picture before is attributable to the fact that he works at the Hammond City Hall and sees the pictures of fugitives wanted, when posted by the Police Department.

Mr. Flaherty advised that Charles Fryer, brother of Harvey Fryer, and Mrs. Charles Fryer reside on Jackson Avenue south of Standard Avenue in Hammond, Indiana. Mr. Charles Fryer was found by inquiry in the neighborhood to reside at 6615 Jackson Avenue, but he was not contacted pending further developments in the case and instructions from the office of origin.

Mr. Frank Molesberger of 6238 (rear) Van Buren Avenue, was contacted at his oil station on the corner of Conkey Avenue and Van Buren Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. He stated upon seeing the photograph which Agent had of Groves that he felt reasonably certain that he had seen the man represented about a year ago. However, he was not certain where he had seen the man, stating that he believed that he had sold gas to him when the man pulled up to his station. Molesberger was certain that he had never seen the man at the home of the Fryer's unless perchance in a car in the front of the house; he had no definite recollection of having seen him there under those circumstances. He stated that he definitely associates the face with a car, however, and further that he does not believe he has seen the man he has in mind more than a few times. Mr. Molesberger stated that his house is directly in back of the Fryer residence and one door south thereof. He advised that he has resided there since long before the Fryer family moved into their present residence, and that Groves has not lived with the Fryers since they moved on Van Buren Avenue, and that he, because of his strategic position, would be certain to see Groves if he entered and left the house. Molesberger took the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Field Division, and advised that in the event Groves puts in an appearance around the Fryer home, he will immediately notify the Indianapolis Field Division by telephone.

Mr. Palmer Singleton of 6232 Van Buren Avenue was contacted privately at his home after Agent endeavored to contact him at his place of employment, the Inland Steel Company, where he works in the steam department. Mr. Singleton was positive that Groves had never lived next door, and did not recall ever having seen Groves next door. Mr. Singleton stated that his wife is much more friendly with the Fryers than he is and stated that he will, in the next few days after Agent's visit, endeavor to find out where Mrs. Fryer's brother is. It might be mentioned that Mr. Singleton was not informed of Agent's identity nor of his mission. Mr. Singleton stated that he is difficult to contact at work, as the plant is very large, and his work carries him all over the place. However, Mr. Singleton suggested that he is almost daily in the Inland Ice Cream Parlor

at or shortly after twelve noon, and that he may be reached there. According to Singleton, this place is better known as "Shorty's" and is located just across from the Company's office. Mr. Singleton was furnished with the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Field Division and advised that as soon as he gets any information he will get in touch with this Field Division.

Other neighbors in the immediate vicinity of the Fryer home, upon contact, advised that they had never seen anyone resembling the photograph of Groves shown them in the neighborhood.

Captain Sandor Singer of the Hammond Police Department, a neighbor of the Fryer family was contacted at the Police Station. He advised that in the event Groves should put in an appearance at Hammond and be picked up by the Hammond Police, he will immediately telephonically inform the Indianapolis Field Division.

Mr. George C. Clemens, former Postmaster at Hammond, and ostensibly the recipient of the letter sent by Groves when he was incarcerated at the United States Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia, was interviewed at his home, #4 Waltham Street, Hammond, Indiana. Mr. Clemens advised that he used to know Mrs. Fryer, Groves' sister, years ago, but that he does not know Groves; Mr. Clemens was unable to recall having received any mail from Groves while the latter was incarcerated, or at any other time. Mr. Clemens stated that the photograph of Groves was familiar to him, but he could not say that he actually knows the man. Mr. Clemens requested the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Field Division, which was furnished to him.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION at Hammond, Indiana

Will again contact Mr. Frank Molesberger at his oil station, Conkey Avenue and Van Buren Avenue, and determine whether he has any information of value relative to Groves' location.

Will endeavor through Postal authorities and other sources to get more definite information as to the address of Charles Sprout after leaving Hammond.

Will determine by inquiry at the established Life Insurance Companies whether Mr. or Mrs. Harvey (Ida) Fryer have any insurance, find out who the collecting Agent is and endeavor to make an informant on the point in question out of him. If he appears to be intelligent, trustworthy, and discreet, will consider the advisability of having him endeavor to get the desired information under a pretext that it is needed in relation to any policies held by the Fryer family.

At East Chicago, Indiana

Will again contact Mr. Palmer Singleton at the Inland Ice Cream Parlor (Shorty's Place) located across from the Inland Steel Company main office, and will determine what, if any, information he has obtained as to the whereabouts of Groves.

At Hammond, Indiana

In the event the above arrangements prove ineffectual, will, if and only if, requested by the Office of Origin, contact Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Fryer, 6236 Van Buren Avenue, either under pretext or openly in the discretion of the Office of Origin, and will likewise contact Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fryer, 6615 Jackson Avenue, if an as requested by the Office of Origin.

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Form No. 1
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REPORT MADE AT Philadelphia, Pa.	DATE WHEN MADE 12-1-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-27, 28-36	REPORT MADE BY N. S. Harzenstein
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH F. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Information concerning Eli Stewart in files of Northeastern Penitentiary obtained and set forth. Disposition sheet as to previous arrests submitted.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent O. M. Tyner, Cincinnati, Ohio, dated 11-3-36.

DETAILS: AT U. S. NORTHEASTERN PENITENTIARY, LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

The records reveal the following information of interest concerning Eli Marion Stewart:

Northeastern Penitentiary:
True Name:
Aliases:

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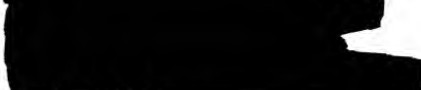
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(The above information is being submitted to the Identification Division by disposition sheet.)

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Four copies of this report are being forwarded to the Cleveland Field Division, in case they are needed for the information of other offices in connection with future undeveloped leads.

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Post Office Box 512

Chicago, Illinois

December 1, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREXID

Dear Sir:

In response to the telephonic request of Special Agent E. J. Wynn of your Division, I desire to advise that I have checked the indexes with respect to the various Subjects in the above-entitled case and in connection therewith attention is directed to the criminal records of all Subjects which are set forth in the summary report dated Chicago, Illinois, October 26, 1936. With respect to the criminal record and notations as to offenses for which Harry Campbell was wanted, attention is directed to the summary report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan dated Chicago, Illinois, February 17, 1936, particularly to pages eleven and twelve thereof. One copy of this report was furnished to each of the Bureau's Field Divisions.

With respect to Alvin Karpis, attention is directed to pages ten, eleven and twelve of the summary report submitted by Special Agent S. K. McKee dated Chicago, Illinois, February 8, 1936, one copy of which was furnished to each of the Field Divisions. In addition to the criminal record and warrants outstanding against Karpis, as reflected in that report, it is noted that a murder warrant was issued against him at West Plains, Missouri, on January 28, 1932, charging Karpis and Fred Barker with the murder of Sheriff C. R. Kelley on December 19, 1931.

With respect to Fred Barker, the criminal record in this Division reflects that he was wanted as Fred Barker as an escape from the County Jail, Claremore, Oklahoma, August 16, 1931, for burglary and assault with intent to kill; wanted as Fred Barker for murder, West Plains, Missouri; wanted as Fred Barker for bond forfeiture (burglary and grand larceny) at Fort Smith, Arkansas, February 19, 1934.

With respect to Russell Gibson, the files in this Division reflect that a Commissioner's complaint and warrant was issued before the United States Commissioner, Oklahoma, on November 7, 1933, and that on the same date a non est return was made on that warrant. Same charged him with a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

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Gibson also was wanted by the Oklahoma Police Department on a charge of representing the American First National Bank messenger, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on May 24, 1929.

With respect to Charles J. Fitzgerald, Subject in the Hanap case, his criminal record is being set out in full herein:

Toledo Police Department No. 8010

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With respect to Edna Murray, it is noted that she was wanted as an escape from Missouri State Prison Farm #1, charging escape therefrom on December 15, 1932. Her criminal record is as follows:

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The above information, as set out in detail in this letter, is the only additional information available in the files of this Division which

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information is not previously set forth in the summary report on the above-entitled matter dated at Chicago on October 26, 1936.

Very truly yours,

DEL:LJM
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D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

cc - Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

General Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 30, 1936.

Time - 7:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

During a telephonic conversation which I had with Mr. Connelley at Toledo, we were discussing his forthcoming conference in the morning with United States Attorney Freed at Cleveland on the harboring cases out there. I mentioned to Mr. Connelley that in a letter which the Bureau has from Agent Wynn at Toledo recording certain conversations which he had with Mr. Freed on this case, something is mentioned about applying the misprision of felony statute to this set of circumstances.

I told Mr. Connelley that for his information and guidance, the Department has informally on one or two occasions informed the Bureau that too much weight cannot be placed on this statute; that the circumstances of the crime have to be so clearly defined and within such specific limits that its applicability and practicability are very limited.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington Field Division, Room 4244,
Washington, D. C.

December 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: GEORGE TIMINEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232;
ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated November 2, 1936, (file 7-576), and to the report of Special Agent R. P. Burruss, dated at Washington, D. C., November 30, 1936.

The report of Agent Burruss sets forth pertinent data and information which indicate that the 495 Thompson Submachine Guns seized on board the SS East Side a few hours before sailing from Hoboken, New Jersey to Ireland, were at first in the custody of the Cosmopolitan Shipping Company, then operated under the jurisdiction of the United States Shipping Board; that they next were in possession of the Customs authorities, and, according to reports, both the Customs officials and the 495 guns were taken into custody by the Hoboken Police Department; and that the case was evidently turned over to the Department of Justice.

As further set out in the report of Agent Burruss, officials of the Auto Ordnance Company of New York, George Gordon Rorke, et al, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at Trenton, New Jersey on June 19, 1921, on a charge of conspiring to ship arms to Ireland, in violation of the Neutrality Laws. The report of Agent Burruss further indicates that George Gordon Rorke was tried in Federal Court at Trenton, New Jersey in 1921 and again in New York City in 1922, under the supervision of former Assistant Attorney General Grimm. Rorke was represented by a Washington, D. C. attorney named Rossa F. Downing.

It is respectfully suggested that the Bureau review the old files pertaining to the above mentioned trial at Trenton, New Jersey, of Rorke, et al, with the view of definitely ascertaining the outcome of the trial, and, in so doing, will in all probability be able to determine what disposition was made of the 495 Thompson Submachine Guns. The case having been tried in a Federal Court, such evidence, of course, would have been left in the custody of the United States Marshal having jurisdiction over same, and if the parties were not convicted, the records of the Marshal's office should show that the evidence was returned to the defendants and a receipt obtained for same.

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The attention of the Bureau is invited to the fact that investigation of certain undeveloped leads by the Trenton and New York Divisions are being held pending instructions from the Bureau, after the old files in the case above referred to have been reviewed.

In view of the foregoing, it was deemed inadvisable, at this time, to make appropriate inquiries at the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department, until the Bureau has completed its examination of its own as well as the Department's files.

Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
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GUY HOTTEL,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter of November 20, 1936 from the Cleveland Division to the Oklahoma City Division, concerning the availability of pictures of "Burrhead" Keady at Independence, Kansas.

Please be advised that Special Agent John R. Welles will be conducting investigation at Coffeyville, Kansas within the next few days, and subsequently will conduct investigation at Tulsa, Oklahoma, which will require a picture of Keady.

As Independence is a very short distance from Coffeyville, Kansas, Agent Welles has been instructed to obtain pictures of "Burrhead" Keady, copies of which will be prepared at the Oklahoma City Division, and made available to other divisions.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

Reference is made to letter from the St. Paul Division to the Detroit Division dated November 16, 1936, requesting that the information desired in letter from the Cleveland Division to the Detroit Division dated November 15, 1936, be obtained from the files of the Narcotic Bureau at Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. L. J. Ulzer, Assistant District Supervisor of the Bureau of Narcotics, Detroit, Michigan, on this date was interviewed by Special Agent Charles E. Olson of this division. Mr. Ulzer informed Agent Olson that he could not recall any investigation conducted by Narcotic Agents at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio, in May 1935. He also made a check of his index records and was unable to locate any record of any investigation ever having been made at the Harvard Club. He stated that it was possible that a preliminary investigation might have been made and no evidence obtained as to a violation of the Federal narcotic law in which no report was made. However, he was certain that no buys of narcotics had been made from anyone connected with the Harvard Club as reports are always made in matters of that nature and are indexed both under the name of the individual involved and the name of the place with which the individual is connected. He stated that the Narcotic Agents stationed at Cleveland, Ohio, might have some information either in the files in their office or known to the Agents personally and suggested that Mr. H. K. Collegenan, Narcotic Agent in Charge, Thomas Andrew, Narcotic Agent, and I. I. Greenfield, undercover Narcotic Agent, all of 500 Post Office Building, Cleveland, Ohio, be contacted.

It is therefore requested that you endeavor to secure the information desired in your letter of November 15, 1936, from the above mentioned Narcotic Agents at Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

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Herold E. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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December 1, 1936

Time - 4:57 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Connelley called me from Cleveland and stated that he had been in conference with USA Freed at Cleveland and that this morning Freed was very much of the opinion that there probable was no definite possibility that the case of Karpis, etc., is concerned with what the action of Judge Kahn would be in the case over there if we follow the case as the facts are indicated to him, and he said that the Judge had previously indicated to him that whenever the case went to trial, he wished him (Freed) to present him with a digest of the information which would tie in each particular subject as the case progressed in the presentation in order that he could see that there was something presented against all of the individuals concerned. Mr. Connelley said that Freed went on to minimize the possibility of showing definite overt acts which would tie in particularly Timminney as far as Karpis is concerned, although Mr. Connelley stated that he thought that at that time that was probably Freed's opinion as to our entire case.

Mr. Connelley stated that this afternoon after Freed came back from lunch, he went into the situation as to the harboring charges of Doc Barker, and he had an entirely different attitude then his previous attitude of the morning. In fact, Freed indicated that he thought there was a very definite possibility of showing substantially acts which would tie them in to having harbored Doc Barker. Mr. Connelley stated that that is confining the period to May 7, 1934, to January 8, 1935, when we apprehended Barker. Mr. Connelley said that Freed was of the opinion of leaving Timminney out of the picture. However, Freed now believes that if we can show that they paid off to Timminney, or that they paid off to Angus, and that they had any connection at that time, it might show a conspired action on the part of Timminney and Angus which would account for Timminney's action in allowing these fellows to continue in there and associating with them out at Angus's place. Mr. Connelley stated that all this was quite a change from Freed's previous attitude, and that he did not know just what was behind it all. He said that Freed has not indicated definitely just what he will do and what he will prosecute.

Mr. Connelley stated that at noon Freed went out to see Senator Buckley and when he came back he was very deliberate in indicating that he had had a very weighty problem to consider at noon; that they were discussing the appointment of a colored Assistant United States Attorney.


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Mr. Connelley stated that Freed is coming to Washington tomorrow night and that he is going to stop off to see Brien McMahon and that he is going to confer further with Mr. Freed tomorrow before he leaves. I asked Mr. Connelley if he thought there was any possibility of moving on this matter by the 5th, and he stated that he didn't think so, as Mr. Freed will not get back to Cleveland until Saturday morning, which is the 5th. Mr. Connelley stated that he didn't think Freed would commit himself as to just what he is going to do until some time after he returns from Washington.

Mr. Connelley advised that Freed has requested some additional investigation, which will be completed for him.


E. A. Tamm.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-63

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-30-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/15-24/36	REPORT MADE BY R. P. BURRUSS RPB:FLB
TITLE GEORGE TIMLNEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE TREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No record of GEORGE G. RORKE found in Washington, D. C. city directory, Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. directory for District of Columbia, or Internal Revenue. ROSSA F. DOWNING, former attorney for Rorke, advises that Rorke in 1935 was at 79 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass., and that in June, 1936 his daughter, NANCY RORKE, lived at 21 Hamilton Boulevard, Kenmore, New York. Pertinent information set forth in body of this report indicates that an investigation of the seizure of approximately 495 Thompson sub-machine guns on the S.S. East Side, June 14, 1921, was primarily made by the then U. S. Shipping Board; by the Customs officials; and that the guns and the Customs officials were taken into custody by the Hoboken, N.J. Police, and that the matter was finally turned over to the Department of Justice for investigation and prosecution, under the supervision of the former Assistant Attorney General GRIMM. Officials of the Auto Ordnance Company, New York, and others, including George G. Rorke, indicted by Federal Grand Jury at Trenton, N.J., June 19, 1921, on charge of conspiring to ship arms to Ireland in violation of the Neutrality Laws.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated November 2, 1936.

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DETAILS:

For the information and guidance of divisions which have not received copies of reference letter, the same made reference to the report submitted by Special Agent W. M. Sirene, dated at Washington, D.C., September 3, 1936, regarding efforts of this division to locate GEORGE G. RORKE, to whom a machine gun, bearing serial No. 950, was shipped during June, 1921, this machine gun being one of those which were formerly in the possession of ALVIN KARPIS.

The letter instructed that further investigation be made in an effort to locate Rorke and that perhaps the local mercantile agencies at Washington, D. C. might have information concerning him. The letter pointed out that the machine gun mentioned is supposed to have been one of 500 submachine guns which were shipped to Rorke and later "confiscated" by the United States Secret Service during June, 1921, and that Mr. John S. Tucker, Operative in Charge, United States Secret Service Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., was unable to furnish any information concerning this matter. The Bureau letter suggested that inquiries be made at the Bureau of Customs, Treasury Department, as it appears possible that the guns may have been seized by that bureau due to the fact they were likely intended for shipment to Ireland in view of the known record of George G. Rorke in connection with the Sinn Fein activities.

A search was made of the Washington city street directory and of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone directory for the District of Columbia, without finding the name of George G. Rorke.

With the view of possibly ascertaining his present address, inquiry was made as to whether he served during the World War in any capacity of the following listed service organizations, without finding any record:

MR. ORIN B. ATWOOD, Identification Division,
WAR DEPARTMENT.
MR. J. HERBERT TAYLOR, Identification Division,
NAVY DEPARTMENT.
MR. GEORGE A. BENSON, MARINE CORPS.
MR. LARRY A. PHILLIPS, COAST GUARD.

Confidential inquiry was made of MR. T. H. SHERWOOD, Deputy Commissioner, Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, who ascertained whether any Federal income tax return was filed by George G. Rorke. Of course, the search had been limited by name only. This inquiry was made with the view that had any return been filed by Rorke, the source of his income and possibly data which would lead to his present location could be obtained. No record was located.

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A report was located dated January 15, 1923, pertaining to George G. Rorke, whose address was then given as Apartment 407, Southbrook Courts, 3420 - 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. This report indicated that he was then (1923) about 32 years old, (present age: about 45 years), and that he was married. The report indicated that he came to Washington, D. C. from Richmond, Virginia and was engaged in the office, furniture and fixture business, representing rather large office furniture dealers from February to August, 1921; did not meet with success; closed office in August, 1921, and then accepted employment with the Safe Cabinet Company of Baltimore, Maryland.

A special dispatch was located which was published in the Washington Post September 27, 1921, and dated at New York City September 26, 1921, which, in part, stated that George Gordon Rorke was arrested in the lobby of the Waldorf - Astoria Hotel by order of the Attorney General, DAUGHERTY, charged with having authorized the purchase of guns to be sent to Ireland.

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Another clipping was found, taken from the Washington Post of September 26, 1921, which stated that Rorke was arrested September 25, 1921 in the lobby of the Waldorf - Astoria Hotel and was charged with having authorized the purchase of 595 Thompson Submachine Guns, seized on the Commopolitan freighter, East Side, on June 15th, 12 hours before the vessel was scheduled to have sailed from Hoboken for Ireland. "The arrest was ordered by Attorney General Daugherty. Information is that he represented the Auto Ordnance Company of New York of which COL. MARCELIUS H. THOMPSON was Vice-President. The arrest of Rorke tonight is the result of nearly three months of investigation by the Department of Justice." The article further indicated that one FRANK WILLIAMS at the time of the seizure of the guns appeared before RECORDER ADOLPH C. CARSTEN, Hoboken, New Jersey and claimed that he owned the weapons. The article indicated that in the affidavit presented to Recorder Carsten, Williams, who is described as a contractor of New York City, described how 600 guns had been stolen from him June 11, 1921. The newspaper article indicated that

he refused to answer questions, acted mysteriously, and disappeared.

A Trenton, New Jersey paper, dated June 19, 1922, (name of paper not indicated), carried an article which indicated that the investigation of this case was made by the U. S. Shipping Board and by the Department of Justice.

Having in mind that Dr. Edgar Elias Quayle, the second husband of Rorke's wife, may have information concerning Rorke's present location, he was located at 1822 Biltmore Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and information was obtained from him that he had no knowledge of the present whereabouts of George G. Rorke. He did, however, state that it is his understanding that the brother-in-law of Rorke, WALTER DOSH, presently resides somewhere on 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. From the Washington city street directory for 1936 it was ascertained that one Walter B. Dosh, wife: Sarah, J., is a salesman with the L. C. Smith and Corona Typewriter Company and resides at 3525 16th Street, N. W. [REDACTED]

Information was received from MRS. WALTER DOSH that she was under the impression George G. Rorke was somewhere in New Jersey, but she was unable to give any definite location. She stated that she also had heard that he had been in Florida, but could give no definite data relating to same. Her son then got in touch with MR. ROSSA F. DOWNING, who is the attorney for the estate of Rorke's mother, and who, it was subsequently ascertained, acted as attorney for George B. Rorke when he was brought to trial on two occasions in 1921 and 1922 at New York City and Trenton, New Jersey. Mrs. Dosh's son, after conferring with Mr. Downing's office, located in the Woodward Building, advised that the last address Mr. Downing had of George G. Rorke was on October 19, 1935, at which time his address was 79 Shawmut Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. MISS NANCY RORKE, daughter of George B. Rorke, was, according to Mr. Downing's files, on June 21, 1936, residing at 21 Hamilton Boulevard, Kenmore, New York, c/o KATHERINE R. TAYLOR.

It was subsequently ascertained from MR. ROSSA F. DOWNING that he had defended George B. Rorke during his trial in connection with the case above referred to in New York and in New Jersey. He very clearly recalled that the case was prosecuted under the direction of the then ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL GRIMM. He further recalled that about six months ago he received a letter from someone in Florida, inquiring about Rorke. Mr. Downing, however, has been unable to locate

this letter, but has indicated his desire to further inform this division with reference to same should he locate it. He clearly indicated a desire to cooperate and requested that should Rorke be located, he, Downing, be so informed as he had many important matters to take up with Rorke concerning his mother's estate.

The records of the U. S. Shipping Board and of the U. S. Merchant Marine are now consolidated with what is known as the Maritime Commission, under the jurisdiction of the Department of Commerce. Through the cooperation of MR. F. D. SCHALL, General Manager of the Commission, there was located the U. S. Shipping Board files pertaining to the seizure of the submachine guns on the East Side, June 15, 1921. The files were made available through MR. PETERSON, Secretary to a MR. KNIGHT, Room 4840, Department of Commerce. The file is identified as No. 2828 - SS East Side. There is a typewritten notation on the folder which reads as follows: "Operation - Carrying Concealed Guns and Ammunition to Ireland, June 15, 1921; case turned over to Department of Justice by Customs authorities."

The file contains a letter dated June 24, 1921, addressed to the U. S. Shipping Board, Division of Operations, 45 Broadway, New York City, by the Cosmopolitan Shipping Company, Operating Department, Pier No. 2, Hoboken, New Jersey, relating to the seizure of arms and ammunition on the SS East Side, Voyage No. 9, Tuesday, June 14, 1921, which, in part, reads as follows:

"The arms found in #4 hatch were removed to our storeroom on the pier and an inventory showed that it consisted of 495 Thompson Submachine Guns, together with magazines, cleaners, pamphlets, and etc., and about one thousand (1,000) rounds of caliber .45 ammunition. These guns are small and had been disassembled and packed five and six together in a small sack.

The Customs officials were at once advised of the discovery and had a representative present when the inventory was taken. Report was also made to the Shipping Board and at our suggestion a representative of the Department of Justice was sent to the pier in the afternoon of June 14, and all the facts were placed at his disposal and he was given every possible assistance.

Wednesday, June 15, 1921. - The Customs Inspector Ryan notified us that the guns had been seized by the Customs officials and would be removed from our pier to the Customs storehouse in the afternoon.

and that we would be relieved from all further responsibility for their custody. The Customs authorities sent a truck about noontime and started loading the property. About 2:00 P.M. Deputy Collector Curran and Customs Inspector Ryan called at the office of the undersigned and notified us officially that they had taken possession of the guns and moved same from our pier and gave us a receipt for the property. About 2:30 P.M. two Sergeants from the Hoboken Police Department appeared at our office and presented a search warrant issued by Magistrate Carsten of Hoboken under authority of which they requested to be allowed to search the pier and the ship. We did not allow them to do this and informed them that the guns had been turned over to the Customs authorities and removed by them from the pier. We learned subsequently that the truck containing the property was held up in the streets of Hoboken by the Hoboken Police Department and the guns together with the Customs officials taken to the Hoboken Police Station. As the property had been turned over to the Customs authorities we took no further action in the matter."

The file also contained a memorandum describing the property taken from the SS East Side, as follows:

" 134 Burlap Bags and 1 Box Cartridges.

Guns (Thompson submachine guns)	495
Stocks	491
Box Magazines	1391
Drums, Magazines, Type C	289
Drums, Magazines, Type L	174
Cleaners	486
Pamphlets	446
1 Box Cartridges, .45 cal - steel jackets containing 40 small boxes.	

Customs authorities turned case over to Department of Justice."

The U. S. Shipping Board file contained another news article from an unnamed newspaper, dated June 16, 1921, which, in part, reads as follows:

"Machine guns of the most modern type, with ammunition and spare parts, destined for Ireland ***** were taken from the freight steamer East Side yesterday afternoon by Customs officials and later seized by the Hoboken Police.

The guns were unloaded on pier No. 2, Hoboken, by men working under orders from the Customs authorities, and were soon afterwards seized by Hoboken policemen on a search warrant.

The search warrant, which when executed caused a clash between the local and the Government officers, was issued by Recorder Carsten of Hoboken on an affidavit sworn to by Frank Williams, a New York contractor, who swore the weapons had been stolen from him June 11. This phase of the case will be settled before Recorder Carsten this morning, when Corporation Counsel John J. Fallon, for Williams, and Customs representatives will appear to establish jurisdiction.

The fact that the Police had nothing to do with the international aspect of the seizure and that the Customs officers would have nothing to say in regard to it caused difficulty in establishing the ground upon which the arms were seized by the Government, but this part of the situation was clarified last night by the announcement that the Department of Justice will investigate upon the suppositious grounds that an effort was made to smuggle arms into Ireland."

A news clipping was found of record with the former files of the U. S. Shipping Board, dated at Trenton, New Jersey, June 19, 1921, to the effect that Col. Marcellus H. Thompson, Vice-President and active head of the Auto Ordnance Company of New York, was indicted at Trenton, New Jersey, as of that date, by a Federal Grand Jury on a charge of conspiring to ship arms to Ireland in violation of the Neutrality Laws. The others who were indicted are as follows: Frank Williams, alias Lawrence Delacy, alias Lawrence Pierce; alleged to have paid for the shipment of guns; and his brother, FRED, implicated in the purchase; George Gordon Horke; FRANK J. MUKLING, Secretary, Auto Ordnance Company of New York; FRANK B. JOCHSEMITER, who placed some orders with the Auto Ordnance Company of New York; JOHN CUTHANE; truckman of New York, alleged to have carted the guns from American Railway Express Company in New York to his storehouse in the Bronx for Frank Williams; A. M. TROPHY; alleged to have carted the shipment from Cuthane's storehouse to the SS East Side.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK DIVISION at Kenmore, New York.

Will conduct discreet investigation to ascertain if HANCY RORKE, daughter of GEORGE M. RORKE, is still living at 21 Hamilton Boulevard, Kenmore, New York, C/O KATHERINE R. TAYLOR, with the view to establishing the present address of George G. Rorke.

No leads are being set out for an investigation of those indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at Trenton, New Jersey, June 19, 1921, and whose apparent base of operation was at New York City, pending definite instructions from the Bureau, after the Bureau has made a study of its and the Department's files pertaining to this case.

BOSTON DIVISION at Boston, Massachusetts.

Will conduct appropriate and discreet inquiry to establish whether George G. Rorke can still be reached at 79 Shawmut Avenue, and, if not, discreetly ascertain, if possible, his present location. If he is located at this address, or some other address is established, the Washington Field Division should be informed immediately, before taking further investigative action.

TRENTON DIVISION

No leads are being set out for this division, the same being left to the discretion of the Bureau, after an examination has been conducted by the Bureau of its old files pertaining to the prosecution of George G. Rorke, et al, in 1921, and possibly in 1922, and after appropriate examination has been made by the Bureau of the Department's files, for the purpose of establishing the action taken under the direction and jurisdiction of the former Assistant Attorney General Grimm.

A letter is being directed to the Bureau, incorporating the suggestion that this action be taken.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-33-

REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE 12-1-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/7, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27/36.	REPORT MADE BY R.C. COULTER.
TITLE GEORGE TIMINEX; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a. - FUGITIVE - I.O. #1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER (Victim).			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Milton Lett apparently not contacting Kenneth Lang, Baird, Texas. "Burrhead" Keady has been in Dallas several months but not presently available for interview. Lett unknown at Hub Bar and Bar-X, Dallas, Texas, where Keady loafs.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Report Special Agent R.C. Coulter, Dallas, Texas, dated 9-8-36; letter from E.J. Connelley, Cleveland, Ohio, dated October 28, 1936; and report Special Agent John R. Welles, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 11-11-36.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">City Marshal R.L. Elliott, Jr., Baird, Texas, stated he had kept close check on Kenneth Lang since last interviewed by Agent, but stated there was only one suspicious circumstance which occurred about daylight on September 22, 1936. He stated on this morning he was in his yard and saw Chevrolet Standard Coupe, probably 1935 model, drive into the yard of a rooming house where Lang has resided since coming to Baird; that he is rather positive that the first three numbers of the 1936 Texas license were 309. He stated he immediately made a casual inspection but failed to observe the Chevrolet and about time he got even with the rooming house Lang walked out on the front porch. Mr. Elliott further advised he is quite positive Lett has not been frequenting Baird since the matter was called to his attention. As a point of information, he stated that the Night Marshal in Baird had recently resigned and had recommended Lang for that position; however, he had previously solicited the aid of Chief Deputy Sheriff C.R.</p>			
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Nordyke and they prevented him from securing the position without his knowing the reason.

Chief Deputy Sheriff C.R. Nordyke, Baird, Texas, was later interviewed and also advised he had been keeping a check on Lang at the request of Elliott, but had never seen him in company with Lett; that he does not personally know Lett and cannot recall seeing anyone in the town of Baird resembling the photograph of Lett. Mr. Nordyke assured Agent in the event Lett appeared in Baird that he or Mr. Elliott would immediately call the Dallas Field Division. He verified the fact that Lang had been in Baird approximately one year and had been on good behavior during his residence there. He stated that Lang is highly desirous of becoming an officer but knowing his past record he and Mr. Elliott prevented him from securing the position of Night Marshal in Baird.

Mr. Nordyke further advised he is well acquainted at the post office in Baird, Texas, and he had been keeping a watch on the Lang mail with the thought in mind Lett might possibly write to him. However, Lang has never received any mail of that kind since arriving in Baird except some letters locally from girl friends.

In view of the foregoing it appears that owing to the fact Lang is trying to establish himself in Baird and secure a position as a peace officer, he might possibly be of assistance to the Bureau at this time. The advisability of interviewing him, however, is left to the discretion of the office of origin.

On November 7, 1936, Inspector Will Fritz of the Dallas Police Department's Detective Bureau, was contacted and he advised that he was acquainted with the record of Milton Lett but he did not know George "Burrhead" Keady and had not heard of him being in town. He assigned Detectives J.T. Luther and L.G. Delk to assist in conducting the investigation. Through an informant of these detectives by the name of Cunningham who loafs on the Southwest corner of Akard & Commerce Streets in Dallas, Cunningham has formerly been in the employ of numerous taxi companies in Dallas and apparently has a multitude of information. When contacted Cunningham advised Detective Luther that Keady loafs at the Hub Bar and the Bar-X, located in the 1300 block on Commerce St. He stated that Keady had been in town since the Centennial Exposition

opened, and so far as he knew had not been employed although he sometimes shot dice in the back of the Hub Bar. Cunningham further advised that the Manager of the Hub Bar is from Oklahoma and that no assistance could be expected from the employees of the Hub Bar with a view to locating Keady; that this place is a regular hangout for men from Oklahoma. Numerous efforts were made to have Cunningham point out Keady to the above mentioned detectives and Agent, however, on each occasion he was unable to locate Keady. The most recent investigation was conducted during the evening of November 27, 1936, at which time Agent called at both the Bar-X and the Hub Bar and inquired for "Burrhead". Information was received he had not been around in several days; that they did not know where he lived and, according to Cunningham, he is presently absent from Dallas or is on a protracted drunk, which is a frequent occurrence with Keady.

Further efforts are being made to contact Keady and he will be interviewed along the lines suggested as soon as it is possible to locate him.

For the information of the file, Keady, according to Cunningham, is approximately 40 years old, 6', weighs 175-180 pounds, very ugly appearing, very kinky hair, wearing brown suit.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

CINCINNATI FIELD DIVISION is requested to consider the advisability of conducting an open interview with Kenneth Lang at Baird, Texas, and to advise the Dallas Field Division as to decision reached.

DALLAS OFFICE at Dallas, Texas, will continue efforts to contact George "Burrhead" Keady, and will interview him as previously outlined.

PENDING.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

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1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 13, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Kindly refer to letter of former Special Agent in Charge D. W. Magee dated at this office May 19, 1936, advising that when this case was completed the pint bottle of Old Grand-Dad Whiskey taken from subject Alvin Karpis would be destroyed by two or three responsible Agents of this office. Kindly advise if the whiskey may be thus disposed of at this time.

There is also on hand in this office a blanket and a thermos jug recovered at the time of the Karpis arrest. The blanket is claimed by the owner of the apartment house where Hunter resided, but Hunter insisted it was the property of Karpis. There appears to be no doubt that the thermos jug is the property of Karpis. If this property is to be disposed of, it is suggested that this Bureau Office be authorized to send the thermos jug to the parents of Alvin Karpis and to give the blanket to the owner of the apartment house. In the event the Bureau does not desire to thus dispose of the blanket, it is suggested that it be left in this office for use in the detention room.

Very truly yours,

R. L. Tollett
R. L. Tollett,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc -
Cincinnati (E.J.C.)
Chicago
St. Paul

cc - Special Agent in Charge, Chicago & St. Paul

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December 2, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1334; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
ET ALAPPO.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated November 13, 1936, in which you request advice as to what disposition should be made of certain property presently being held by you and which was taken from subject Alvin Karpis.

The Bureau authorizes that the pint bottle of Old Grand-Lad whiskey be destroyed. The blanket should be returned to the owner of the apartment house where Bremer resided, and the thermos jug should be forwarded to the Chicago Field Division for transmittal to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz, mother and father of Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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December 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires to be immediately advised as to the result of the investigation requested in Bureau letter dated November 2, 1936, concerning George C. Korke, to whom machine gun bearing serial number, 900, was shipped during June, 1931, this machine gun being one of those which were in possession of Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

404 New York Building

Saint Paul, Minnesota

December 3, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

BREKID

Mr. John K. Pearson, Assistant County Attorney of Ramsey County, St. Paul, called at this Division on December 2, 1936. He stated that he had been designated by County Attorney Michael Kinkead to review and gather any evidence that would tend to implicate Tom Brown, former St. Paul police officer, in this kidnaping. It will be recalled that Brown was recently removed by the Civil Service Commission from the police force.

Mr. Pearson stated that he had discussed the facts in his possession with United States Attorney George F. Sullivan, and that the latter had advised him that the facts in the possession of the United States Attorney's office were not sufficient upon which to base prosecutive action against Brown.

Mr. Pearson stated it was his thought to ascertain the present addresses of Inspector E. J. Connelley and Special Agent S. K. McKee for the purpose of interviewing them, since he thought that they might have additional information to offer. He was advised that the present addresses of Mr. Connelley and Agent McKee could be obtained from you, but that it was felt that an interview with them would be futile inasmuch as the information they had gathered had been submitted in report form to the United States Attorney, George F. Sullivan; further, that it would be necessary for the Attorney General to authorize Mr. Connelley and Agent McKee to discuss this case with him. Mr. Pearson stated that he would consider the matter and would communicate with you should he desire to later interview Mr. Connelley and Agent McKee.

It is my opinion that Pearson has been delegated by County Attorney Michael Kinkead to make an idle gesture to develop evidence against Brown, but that it has been decided

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long ago that the county will never prosecute him. It appears that the only purpose of Pearson's desire to interview Mr. Connelley and Agent McKee would be to wind up his investigation with a flourish by stating that he had talked to the Agents of this Bureau who had worked on the case and that they could furnish him no additional information.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Stein

C. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Chicago
Cincinnati
Cleveland

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
November 27, 1936.

Time -

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases in Toledo.

Mr. Connelley telephoned me and said that he had talked on the telephone with USA Freed, who is in Cleveland, relative to the publicity which has come out in the Toledo papers relative to the above entitled matter. Mr. Freed emphatically denied that he had given out anything to the papers. As a matter of fact, he said that the reporters got him out of bed the other morning to see if he would make a comment on the publicity which had come out, which he refused to do.

Mr. Connelley said that three of the papers in Toledo, the News Bee, the Times and the Blade, are all owned by the same concern, and three reporters mentioned in the file of the Bremer Case as possibly being participants in the payoff there, are working for these papers. These reporters are Michael Desmond, with the News Bee; Gibbs, with the Times; and Flanagan with the Blade. As to Gibbs, it might be stated that he is a brother-in-law of Assistant United States Attorney Manton at Toledo, and while we have been very circumspect in our dealings with Manton, it is not impossible that he gained access to the information through his associations with those Assistant U. S. Attorneys and Freed who have the information itself. Then, too, Assistant U. S. Attorney Openlander, with whom we have been dealing in connection with this case, is a very close friend of Michael Desmond of the News Bee, and the information could have come through this source.

Mr. Connelley said that when he goes to Toledo on Monday, he will get in touch with a friend of his who works on the Blade to see if he will tell him where this information came from.

Respectfully,

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E. A. TAMM.

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December 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 19,
1936, in which you were instructed to continue investigation
concerning the allegation that Joseph F. Miller of Tulsa,
Oklahoma, a representative of the Federal Laboratories,
Incorporated, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, supplied underworld
characters with machine guns.

It is desired that you immediately advise the
Bureau the results of the investigation to date. This
instruction also applies to the Kansas City Field Division
which was also requested to make appropriate inquiries con-
cerning the same matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

November 30, 1936.

Time - 7:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

On the harboring situation in Toledo and the publicity which has been coming out in the papers there about it, I mentioned to Mr. Connelley, during a telephonic conversation which I had with him, the statement which has come to our attention to the effect that when the reporters went to the mother of Bobbie Robletto, the nurse, they told her that the Post Office Inspectors had told them about Bobbie's participation in this matter. I told Mr. Connelley that what we would like to do is to run this out to its inception if possible, and definitely establish that as a matter of fact the information in the first place was furnished to the papers by the Post Office Inspectors.

Mr. Connelley said that they would check on this. He mentioned, incidentally, that Dr. Murphy made the statement to the effect that when the reporters came to him about this matter, they told him the Post Office Inspectors had told them about his participation in it. Thus, we have two instances where that particular statement has been made.

I told Mr. Connelley that you are very anxious to get this matter run out, and consequently, the Agents who are working on this should be instructed to give it preferred and expeditious attention.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

December 2, 1936.

Time - 4:40 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Harboring Cases in Toledo.

Mr. Connelley telephoned me from Cleveland and said that they had completed their conference with United States Attorney Freed relative to the above entitled matter, and Freed is leaving at once for Washington where he is going to confer with Brien McMahon and other Departmental officials relative to this case. Mr. Freed in the meantime requested certain other investigation, which is being performed at this time. Mr. Freed indicated that on Tuesday of next week, he wants to go to Milan, Michigan, and interview Wynona Burdette in company with one of the Agents, to make sure what she is going to testify to, with specific reference to certain conversations which she overheard and which would tend to show knowledge on the part of the subjects of the instant case that the fugitives in the Bremer case were as a matter of fact fugitives from justice.

Mr. Connelley estimates that Mr. Freed will be ready to move on this case on the weekend of which December 12th is Saturday. The prior information was that we would move about the 5th on this case.

Mr. Connelley said that what Freed has in mind is not known at this time definitely, but while he is in Washington, he is having Openlander, his first Assistant U. S. Attorney, draw up the indictments.

With reference to subject Anthony Amerbach, the doorman at the Harvard Club in Toledo, I informed Mr. Connelley that according to the attached criminal record of this person as contained in the files of the Identification Division of the Bureau, he is wanted at the State Penitentiary at Moundsville, West Virginia, to complete the unexpired portion of his sentence for armed robbery. Consequently, if the harboring charges against this individual do not stick, we have this wanted notice against him.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, Inspector
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Schiller	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith the typewritten copies of the log of the telephone taps being maintained on telephones #123 and #446 listed to the Hot Springs Police Department and telephone #548, listed to the mayor in Hot Springs, Arkansas, for the dates of November 24, 25 and part of November 26, 1936. A copy of this log is likewise being forwarded to the Bureau with the Bureau copy of this letter. As will be noted in reading the log, the Police Department telephones are quite active. Because of the large amount of telephonic conversation each day received over the telephone taps, the log will hereafter be written up by the agents maintaining the surveillance on the above mentioned telephones, and a copy of this log will be designated for you.

Pertinent portions of telephone conversations overheard will be incorporated in reports in order that this information will be available to the Bureau.

The agents maintaining the surveillance of the telephone taps at Hot Springs, Arkansas, are keeping a record of the telephone numbers called from the Police Department and from the mayor's office and are likewise making index of the names mentioned during telephonic conversations overheard.

In order that the subscribers to telephone numbers mentioned in conversations overheard, may be identified, it is

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Mr. E. J. Connelley

December 1, 1936

believed that a cross index directory would be extremely valuable at the present time and in any future investigation conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas. No such cross index directory is available at Hot Springs, but it is planned that the current telephone directory of Hot Springs, Arkansas, will be checked by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and a cross index directory compiled.

Very truly yours,

JOHN B. LITTLE
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau ✓
cc Cincinnati

REGISTERED MAIL

Telephone tap on Mayor's
Phone #648
November 24, 1936
Hot Springs, Ark.

11:50 ^{AM} Outgoing

GRM

Mayor: 3800
Mayor: Is Mr. John Higgins there?
Higgins: Hello.
Mayor: Had conference with Fire Rate Bureau and was able to keep Hot Springs
in 5th classification.
Higgins: O. K.

12:20 Outgoing

GRM

Mayor: Is Mr. Owens there?
Woman: Hello.
Mayor: Is Mr. Owens there?
Woman: He is not in.
Mayor: Is Mr. Owens there?
Woman: Yes, wait a minute.
Owens: Hello.
Mayor: This is Leo. Wanted to know about arrangements tomorrow.
Owens: Yes, got your letter and is coming over.
Mayor: Fine

2:20 Incoming

HAS

Girl - Hello.
Girl - Hello, Hazel - general conversation regarding building of new house
by their friend, Thanksgiving dinner, etc.

2:30 Incoming

HAS

Hazel - Hello.
Mr. Witt - Hazel have you heard how Mr. Gibson is today?
Hazel - I heard yesterday he is a little better - took hot bath at
1:30 yesterday.

Mayor's Office

You left your insurance policy up here. I'll put it away.
No, I'll come after it. I want to keep it here.
All right.

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3:00 See #2

In #2 3:00

HAS

Man - Hello.

Nobel - Need a man with a car to get shut of a drunk woman - Tower Spring St.

Man - O. K. I'll send one down.

Out #3

HAS

170 -

Girl - Mr. Clair busy?

Clair - Hello.

Hazel - ordered brains, eggs and sausage.

In #3 3:10

HAS

Hazel - Hello.

Man - Anyone call? Any mail?

Hazel - No calls for your. Mail hasn't come this afternoon.

Man (mayor) - I'll call you later. What time are you going to close up?

Hazel - About 5:00.

In #3 4:00 P. M.

HAS

No answer (incoming party)

Girl - Heard to ask operator for 608.

4:20

GRV

3574 - Hello

Have you got 18

18 - All right

4:30 2260 Now answer

GRV

Wednesday - 6:00 A. M.

November 25, 1936

Line 10 - Phone 646

Mayor's Office

7:00 AM No answer

GRV

8:30 Outgoing

GRM

Hazel call cleaners to come after laundry.

8:55 Incoming

GRM

H - Mayor's Office

Is there?

H - Who's calling?

Elizabeth.

H - I'll have him call you back. He asked me to take the number.

9:00 Outgoing 600 (Home)

GRM

Hello

M - What did you want?

Wanted to know if you sent lunch saved?

M - Oh, whatever you have just put some away for me.

9:05

GRM

Hello - Mayor's Office - Dallas Vance wanted to see Mayor
was told to come up right away.

9:28 Outgoing 661

GRM

Reporting a broken sewer

9:04 Outgoing 3601 No answer

GRM

9:05 Outgoing

GRM

2041

M - Is Goody there?

Yes.

M - Have your duck Stamp

GRM

Yes

M - Meet you by 8:00 and will leave and have supper down there. We'll go
in my car.

Will right. I'll be ready

9:06 Outgoing 7101

GRM

9:12 Incoming

Mayor's Office
This is Geo Ryan - That you Leo
No this is George - Leo has gone.
Ryan - Vince Pickey had a stroke this A. M.
Geo - Thats bad.
Ryan - I'll be down later to look after things.

9:40 Outgoing

1124

Is Elmer there?

Yes.

Let me speak to him.

Mr. Seigerwood there? - want to put a fish away.
I'll be down later to look after things.

10:00 Incoming

Mr. Seigerwood there?
Hazel - No, he just left.

10:10 Incoming

Man - Is Mayor in?
Hazel - No he wont be in today.

11:30 Incoming

Mayor's Office

Hazel?

Yes.

What is number of Health Dept.

471

Thanks

11:30 Incoming

Police

Mr.

GRM

GRM

HAS

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GRM

This is Ted, at the Fire Dept.
Do you know how I can reach Bennie?
No.
Well, thanks.

1:40 Incoming

GRK

Hazel is George there - Yes.
George - Hello.
Did Betty go to Beauty Shop?
Yes.

Which one?

I don't know.

Well, tell W. Merritt that she's down the country so he'll have to get it
out himself.

O. K.

1:40 Incoming

GRK

Miss Marsh

Yes

This is Miss Wagoner. Is the good looking Mayor in this morning.
No, he's in Little Rock.

That's too bad, we wanted his picture for the Catholic paper.

Outgoing

GRK

2400 - Arlington Hotel.

Do you have a Mr. Brichouse from Little Rock registered?

No, not registered.

Thanks.

1:50 P. M. Incoming

HAS

1:50 - Report Office

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2:50 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Hazel - Hello.

Mrs. Smith - Hazel, Mrs. Sims was trying to get in touch with the mayor to represent the city at a Thanksgiving celebration.

Hazel - He's out of the city on business.

3:15 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Hazel - Mayor's Office

L. D. Opr. - Mr. McLaughlin, please, Little Rock is calling.

Hazel - What's the party's name?

L. D. Opr. - Mr. Ben Erickhouse.

McLaughlin - Hello.

Mr. Erickhouse - I selected that the mayor try to see a young man, Mr. Benson's son, of Little Rock and get in one of the stables at Hot Springs.

McLaughlin - I'll try to speak a word to some of the owners, but that the stables would not open before Dec. 1st.

3:50 Incoming

GRM

Secty: Mayor's Office.

Man: Is Mayor there?

Secty: No, who's calling please?

Longfellow: Longfellow - where is he at 600.

Secty: No, he will be there in a little bit. I'm expecting him to call the office. Shall I have him call you?

Longfellow: Yes at 359.

Secty - Yes, I will.

3:55 Outgoing

GRM

Mayor: Say please

Longfellow: Leo.

Mayor: Yes, Charlie

Longfellow: Say, that fellow got Jackson and Owens to check me again and now I have a bill for \$200 and it shows the check was authorized by me. I'm not going to stand for it and wanted to let you know so you'd pay it straight.

Mayor: All right.

Thursday 8:00 A.M.
Nov. 26, 1936
Tap on Line #3 - Phone #648
Mayor's Office
Hot Springs, Ark.

9:10 Outgoing

CRM

Leo - 2204.
Woman - Hello.
Leo - Who is this?
Woman - Mrs. _____
Leo - Is Virginia there?
Woman - No, she'll be back in 15 min.

9:20 Outgoing

CRM

Leo - 1111
Leo - Ryan Hotel
Leo - Let me speak to John Condon.
Leo - Hello - John, this is Leo - Listen tomorrow at 11 we are going to
take some depositions and want you to be there. I would like to see
you about 9:30.
John - All right Leo, I'll see you down town in the morning.

9:28 Outgoing

CRM

Leo - 3693
Woman - Hello
Leo - Is Allen there?
Allen - Hello.
Leo - Allen, this is Leo - tomorrow at 11 we are going to take some
depositions in Ryan's Office - Citizen's Bank Bldg. and we want you to
take them for us.
Allen - All right Leo, I'll be down in the morning.

9:40 Outgoing

CRM

Leo - 1114
Leo - Hello.
Leo - Is Allen there?
Allen - Yes, I'll be down in 15 min.

9:45 Outgoing

CRM

Leo - 1114 - Ryan Hotel

Thursday 8:00 A. M.
Nov. 28, 1936
Tap on Line #2 Phone #123
Chief of Police
Hot Springs, Ark.

10:45 Incoming

GRM

Man - City Jail
Girl - Is Garnett Moore there?
Man - Just a minute.
Moore - Garnett speaking.
Girl - This is sister. Mother wants you to come out for dinner. Can you come?
Moore - I've already been invited.
Girl - It's not on Oak St.?
Moore - No (laugh) but I invited her to dinner out at her place.
Girl - Will you drop by if you can cause I want to see you before I leave.
Moore - When are you going back?
Girl - This evening.
Moore - I'll be out before you go.
Girl - All right.

10:58 Incoming

GRM

Man: City Jail
Girl: Is Cecil there?
Man: No he's out on a call.
Girl: Well - listen - have they got Lincoln Kennedy in jail.
Man: Yes.
Girl: Thanks

11:15 Incoming

GRM

Garnett Moore - City Jail
Bruce Cotham - Is Arch there?
Moore - No he's out.
Cotham - Is the Chief there?
Moore - Just a minute.
Cotham - Hello.

Cotham - Chief this is Cotham. I've just had an inquiry about J. H. Watkins who used to be on the force - do you know where he is.

Wakelin - I just saw a party several days ago who said they saw Watkins in Shreveport, La. about a week ago - that he was working in a nite club there.

Cotham - You don't know the name of the Club or his address, do you?

Wakelin - No I don't - I know the other information is reliable.

Cotham - Well, thanks Chief.

11:50 Incoming GRM

Man: City Jail

Woman: Is Cecil there?

Man: He was here, but he's out again.

Woman: Thanks.

11:15 P. M. Incoming MAC

Man - Hello, P. D.

Woman - Is Joe Scott there?

Man - No, not until 1:00 P. M.

Woman - This is Mrs. Hilgore. Send an officer to meet me at 312 West Grand. My husband is drunk at 111 - 8th St. I want him picked up. He's bothering my family.

Man - All right, as soon as one comes in.

12:20 P. M. Incoming HAS

Officer - Hello.

Dr. Reed - Somebody stole an overcoat out of my office. A fellow came to Dr. Thompson's office for a shot of morphine. My patient missed his coat right after. His name is Dr. J. C. Barr from Mam, Wis. He's my father-in-law. (gave description)

Officer - All right we'll try to find it.

12:55 P. M. Incoming HAS

Brook - Hall Chief's office.

Brook - (evidently wife) inquired as to when he was coming for dinner.

1:15 P. M. Out HAS

Called 1117

Chief - Hello.

Tucker - What about this boy over here? Must I let him make bond?

Chief - Yes - Two fifty.

1:30 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Cooper - Hello, Chief's office.

Mrs. Miller - Made complaint that woman boarder was about to move out
owing two weeks rent.

Cooper - Informed Mrs. Miller to hold the woman's baggage until settled.

1:32 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Woman - (calling from pay station) Is Mr. Wakelin there?

Cooper - No he's at home for dinner. Did you all have a big time over
there last night?

Woman - Yes - A hell of a big time. Everybody had neckties this morning.
I'll call back.

(Note: This woman possibly was Grace)

1:33 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Cooper - Chief's office.

Woman - Is the man there who drives the red car - Mr. Scott?

Cooper - No, Mr. Scott not here now.

Woman - Tell him to call 339-J. I'll be there and answer the phone.

Cooper - O. K.

2:02 P. M. Out (dialed to get number)

JLM

No answer

2:35 Out

JLM

Man - 1416

Woman - Hello

Man - Let me talk with Edna.

Edna - Hello.

Man - Give me a ring when you get ready and I'll bring the car up.

3:06 Out 2174

JLM

Woman - Hello.

Man - Anybody there called for Red Whiteaker?

Woman - No.

Man - Is this Wilson's place?

Woman - Yes.

3:35 P. M. Incoming

DPS

Woman - Is Cecil there?

Man - No he is not.

Woman - Thanks.

3:48 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Man - Chief of Police Office

Paul Eddy - Come down to the City Works by the mountain - there's someone

there who wants to see you.

Man - All right, I'll be there.

4:03 P. M. Outgoing

DPS

Man - 497 please.

Woman answers.

Man - This is Cecil Brock. How is the game coming?

Woman - 8 to 7 at the half.

Brock - O. K. Thanks

4:50 P. M. Outgoing

JLM

Man - 494

Woman - Western Union

Man - This is Herbert Akers - what is the score?

Woman - 34 - 7

4:51 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Officer - City Jail

Man - Send someone to _____ right away. There is a big fight over there.

Officer - All right.

4:53 P. M. Outgoing

JLM

Officer - 701 Please
(No answer)

4:54 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Officer - City Jail

Man - Is Dutch there?

Officer - No, he just went out.

4:56 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Brock - Hello.

Man - This is Edgar. I just had my Model T Ford stolen from me.
(Gives description of it).

Brock - O. K. I'll see if I can locate it Edgar. Where are you staying?

Edgar - 707 Laurel Street.

4:57 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Dutch Akers - Hello.

Man - This is Dr. Leonard calling. I'm talking for Kilby. He's very sick
and got to stay in bed. Will you have your brother, Pabe, call the
Forrest Fire Station and tell them he won't be at work.

Akers - All right Doc, I'll do that.

6:02 P. M. Outgoing

JLM

Akers - 2598

Man - Hello.

Akers - This is Akers. Kilby's doctor called me and said Kilby was pretty
sick - won't be at work.

Man - O. K. Thanks for calling.

6:12 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Man - City Jail

Man - 666 Jones talking.

Man - Not a thing.

6:13 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Officer - Hello.

Man - Is Dutch there?

Officer - Cooper

Man - This is Garnett. I got that fellow over at the shop. It's not open yet, but he's here.

Cooper - Hold him till I get over there.

6:40 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Officer - City Jail

Man - What time does the night captain come on?

Officer - 9:00 P. M.

Man - Who is this?

Officer - Carly Evans, who is this?

Man - Briggs. Will you see what my son is charged with.

Evans - Larceny, he is out on bond.

Briggs - O. K. Thanks.

6:41 P. M. Incoming

JLM

Officer - This is City Jail.

Man calling - Is Bob Moore there?

Officer - No, he comes on at 9 o'clock.

Man calling - Do you know his number out at the house?

Officer - No, I won't.

7:20 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Akers - Hello

Girl - Dutch can I speak to that girl, Pearl, who just came up there?
This is Caffey at 172.

Pearl - Hello.

Girl - This is Caffey. Lets go to a show when you get through there.
Meet me at the cafe. I'll pay your way.

Pearl - O. K.

7:22 Outgoing

HAS

Man - Caller 85

Glenn - Hello.

Man - I'm calling from the post box in front of the bank.

Glenn - At 11:30 tonight.

7:23 Outgoing

HAS

Man - 72

Clerk - Hello.

Man - What time is next bus in from Fort Smith?

Clerk - At 11:35 P. M.

7:30 P. M. Outgoing

HAS

Man - Called 2624

Woman - Hello

Man - About ready for bed?

Woman - Yes, but I wish John would come home.

Man - He's probably out with those boys.

Woman - Well I don't know where unless they're at that tourist camp in #2.

Man - Well, I may call over there and see if they're there yet.

7:35 P. M. Outgoing

HAS

Man - Called information and asked the number of the Best Tourist Court.

Opn. - The number is 58.

7:36 P. M. Outgoing

HAS

Man - Called 58

Woman - 58

Man - Let me speak to No. 2 cabin.

Bob - Hello.

Man - Bob, is John there?

Bob - He's just gone out.

Man - This is his dad. Tell him to go home when he comes in.

7:40 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Hello Chief's Office.

Man - Is Mr. Akers in?

Man - No. He just walked out.

Man - Do you know where I can catch him?

Man - Yes, I do.

7:45 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Hello.

Man - When are you coming out?

Man -

8:48 P. M. Outgoing

HAS

Man - Called 2484

Roy - Hello.

Man - Roy are there many out?

Roy - No, not yet. Wont be here until about nine or ten o'clock.

8:50 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Hello, Chief's office.

Roy - Let me speak to Mr. Akers.

Akers - Hello.

Roy - Hello dad. Can I see you a minute?

Akers - Yes. Where are you?

Roy - 1st Walkers Place Horse (phonetic).

Akers - O. K.

8:55 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Chief's office.

Man - Where can I reach Marion Anderson?

Man - Try 613. That's the Sheriff's office.

8:58 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Is Cecil Prock there?

Prock - Hello.

Man - Cecil run up to the office of Dr. Stough in the Medical Arts Bldg.

A man got knocked in the head and he wants to see you.

Prock - O. K.

8:59 P. M. Incoming

HAS

Man - Chief's office.

Man - Let me speak to Garnett Moore.

Moore - Hello.

Man - Garnett, here's a girl who wants to talk to you.

Girl - (taking phone) Hello Garnett, are you ready?

Garnett - Yes. Are you coming by?

Girl - Yes.

Closed at 8:15 P. M. Revert to 10, 1938.

#1.

November 24, 1936.

Tap on telephone No. 446 - City Jail and Chief of Police, Hot Springs City Hall, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

H. A. S.

12:35 P.M. - In.

Man: City Jail
Woman: Ruth said she was going over to "Kresses" now if you want to meet her there.
Man: Where is she now, at "Angelo's"?
Woman: Yes.
Man: Has she got her car?
Woman: Yes.
Man: OK, I'll meet her there.

12:45 P.M. - Out

H. A. S.

Man: Called Ruby (number unintelligible).
Ruby: Hello.
Man: What are you doing, Ruby?
Ruby: Nothing.
Man: I won't be up for dinner - see you at supper.
Ruby: If I had some place to go, I'd sure as hell leave here.

12:05 P.M. - In.

H. A. S.

Tucker: Hello.
Woman: Who's there, Mr. Tucker?
Tucker: Arch is here.
Woman: Send Arch up here.
Tucker: All right. Is this Hazel?
Hazel: Yes.

12:07 P. M. - In.

H. A. S.

Tucker: Hello, City Jail.
Woman: Mr. Tucker, is anybody on the other phone?
Tucker: Well, yes, there might be.
Woman: All right.

12:10 P. M. - In.

H. A. S.

Tucker: Hello, city Jail.
Woman: Is the Doctor there?
Tucker: No. He may be at Mayor's office.
Woman: Tell him I'll be by for him.

1:05 P.M. - Out.

H. A. S.

Cecil Brock: Called 1316
Woman: Hello.
Brock: Conversed with woman regarding her husband
coming down to put alcohol in cars before
freeze.

2:11 P.M. - In.

H. A. S.

Man: Hello, City Jail.
Woman: Is Mr. Akers there?
Man: No, he isn't.

2:13 P.M. - In.

H. A. S.

Cooper: Hello.
Buster: This is Buster, Mr. Cooper, do you want to
buy some cows?
Cooper: Come by Thursday or Friday.

2:28 P.M. - In.

H. A. S.

Williams: Hello, City Jail.
Man: Call Pitcock at Little Rock and if there is
nothing on him, turn him loose.
Williams: We're expecting a wire from Washington.

2:32 P.M. - In.

H. A. S.

Man: Hello, City Jail.
Man: Is Cecil Brock's daddy there?
Man: No, haven't seen him.

2:50 P.M. - Out.

H. A. S.

Man: Called 155.
Man: Shaddox Plumbing Company.
Man: That pump is on the bum.
Man: OK, I'll get Shorty down there.

2:55 P.M. - Out.

H. A. S.

Man: Called 117.
Girl: Hello.
Man: Have I had any calls?
Girl: No.

2:59 P.M. - Out.

H.A.S.

Hinkle:
Man:
Hinkle:
Man:

Called 901, asked for bicycle man.
Hello.
Can I get my bicycle? Hinkle talking.
No, not until tomorrow.

3:05 P.M. - Out

H.A.S.

Man:
Man:

Called 764, asked to speak to Bert Smith.
Not here. Call 369.

3:06 P.M. - Out.

H.A.S.

Man:

Called 369. No answer.

3:10 P.M. - Out.

NOTE

H.A.S.

Man:
Man:
Man:
Man:

Called 184.
Hello, Clerk's office.
Has everything been fixed all right.
Yes. Everything's all right.

3:15 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Girl:
Man:

Hello, City Jail.
Is Herbert there?
No. He's out on a call.

3:35 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Officer:
Man:

Hello, City Jail.
503 Jonestown.
OK.

3:38 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Girl:
Man:
Girl:

Hello, City Jail.
Is Mr. Akers there?
No. He's out now.
All right.

3:48 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Brock:
Girl:

Brock:

Hello.
This is Virginia Mae, Cecil, Tomorrow is
the day and mother wants to know if you
are coming out.
Yes. Will be out this evening.

4:00 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Woman:

Hello, City Jail.
Conversed about family groceries.

4:05 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Girl:
Man:
Girl:

Hello, City Jail.
Is Mr. Akers in?
No, he's out on a call.
Thanks.

4:12 P.M. - Out

H.A.S.

Moore:
Man:
Moore:
Man:

Called 120.
Goodyear.
Moore talking. Has heater been hooked up
on that Plymouth?
Will be ready in an hour.

4:30 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Moore:
Man:

Hello.
Conversed relative to installation of heater
in Plymouth.

4:46 P.M. - Out.

H.A.S.

Man:

Called (number unintelligible) and instructed
Evelyn to wait for him at five o'clock.

5:00 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Girl:
Man:
Girl:

Hello.
Is Dutch in?
No.
Have Dutch call 155 when he comes in.

5:04 P.M. - In.

H.A.S.

Man:
Woman:
Man:

City Jail.
This is Mrs. Cooper's residence. Is Mr.
Cooper there?
No, he isn't.

5:05 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Officer: Reported in at Jonestown.

5:15 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Akers: Called 155.
Man: Hello.
Akers: This is Dutch. Tony just got in - said the brushes
on that motor burned out and blew the fuses.
Man: Did you get it fixed?
Akers: Yes. You know the voltage varies a lot down there on
the lake. I tested 135 volts one time at my place.
Radio tubes only last a month there.
Man: Well. Any ducks down there?
Akers: Some. I'm going down Thursday.

5:18 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Akers: Hello.
Jeff: Dutch, this is Jeff. Have you heard anything?
Akers: No. Not yet. I've got a party who is gathering some
information. Ought to hear any day now.

5:28 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 3339.
Girl: Hello.
Man: What are you doing?
Girl: Nothing.
Man: Want to take a ride?
Girl: What'll I do with the baby?
Man: Isn't Grace there?
Girl: Yes. Well, all right.
Man: Comfon by then.

5:35 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 556. (Citizens Sporting Results).
Man: Citizens.
Man (PD): Is Hertz payroll there?
Man: No.
Man (PD): Where did Western run?
Man: Third.
Man (PL): Who won 4th and 5th?
Man: Named horses 1 - 2 - 3.

5:36 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Man: Mr. Woods there? No, I have the wrong number.

5:50 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Man: Did a kid bring some cigarettes for Herman Harmon?
Man: Yes, he's here now.

5:55 P.M. In

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Officer: Reported from Jonestown.

6:30 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Joe: This is Joe. Did the Government bring over any men
there today from Malvern? Did they bring J. C. Bowers?
Man: Can't here you. Prisoners making too much noise.
Come over here.

6:35 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Cooper: Called 65.
Clerk: Bus Station.
Cooper: Arch Cooper speaking. When do you have a bus for
Eutaw, Ala.
Clerk: I'll call you back.
Cooper: OK. 446.

6:37 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Cooper: Hello.
Brock: Arch, this is Cecil. Is Roy there?
Cooper: No, not now.
Brock: Tell him to call me.

6:40 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Cooper: Hello.
Clerk: Mr. Cooper, the next bus for Eutaw, Ala., leaves at
5:30 AM, and gets there at 2:23 AM next day. Fare
is \$8.90.

6:45 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Brock: Called 613.
Roy: Hello.
Brock: Roy, Cecil talking. Did you get anything on those two boys?
Roy: Got a wire. Both served time in Atlanta.
Brock: Guess you might as well let them go.

6:55 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Brock: Called 1398.
Cammile: Paramount Theatre.
Brock: Hello Cammille. What time is the next show out?
This is Cecil.
Cammile: Next show out at 9:14.

7:10 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officer: Reported in at 3337.

7:15 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Wekelin: Hello.
Hardin: This is W. R. Hardin talking. (Hardin then reported theft of his son's bicycle).

7:20 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. P.D.
Pat: Let me speak to Dutch Akers.
Akers: Hello.
Pat: This is Pat. I want four of those stoves about 26 in. square.
Akers: OK. Pay me what you think they're worth.

7:40 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. P.D.
Girl: Asked for Dutch.
Akers: Hello.
Girl: How about coming up to see me tonight. Are you busy?
Akers: Some busy. Can't tonight.
Girl: Well, you told me to call you sometime.
Akers: I know, but I can't tonight.

7:45 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man (Akers) Called 1987.

Man: Hello.

Man: Give me 82 board.

Man: 12 and 16.

7:58 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Jail.

Man: Is Bob there?

Man: No. He'll be down about 9:00 P.M.

8:20 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello.

Girl: Can I speak to Moore?

Moore: Hello.

Girl: You got back? Where did you go, on a call? Are you coming up at 9:00 o'clock?

Moore: Yes.

Girl: Do you want to go anywhere?

Moore: I don't know that there's any place to go, do you?

Girl: No. All right, see you at nine.

8:25 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 3232 W. No answer.

8:27 P. M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Jail.

Girl: I want to speak to Mr. Akers.

Akers: Hello.

Girl: Just in case you want the "Chevy", I've got the keys in my pocket.

Akers: All right, honey.

8:52 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.

Man: Is Andy Irving there?

Man: No. He's out.

9:00 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 1398. Busy.

9:05 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officer: Reported at 503 Jonestown.

9:55 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. Police Headquarters.
Officers: Bill and John reported at 494.

9:56 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Andy: Called Western Union.
Girl: Hello. Western Union.
Andy: Hello. This is your old friend Andy. What's the time?
Girl: It's 9:56.
Andy: What's the phone number there?
Girl: The number is 494.

10:00 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Andy: Called 116 (Miller's Cigar Store)
Man: Millers.
Andy: Look out there and see if there's a policeman there.
This is Andy.
Note: Line got disconnected when other phone at P.D. rang,
and 116 hung up.

10:15 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. Police Department.
Girl: Let me speak to Bob.
Moore: Hello.
Girl: How about taking me home Bob. Meet me at the
confectionery. I don't have my car.
Moore: OK.

11:06 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello.
Girl: Let me speak to Bob Moore.
Moore: Hello.
Girl: Who was in that car behind us a few minutes ago.
It stopped behind us and looked like somebody was
watching from the corner.
Moore: I don't know.
Girl: Dutch just got a call about some boys you want near
Berryville. Guess he will call you in a few minutes.

11:16 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Moore: Hello.
Man: Call me about 2:00 A.M. and wake me. I'm in Room #8
at the upper end of the hall.
Moore: OK.

11:50 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Moore: Called 341 (Citizens).

Man: Citizens.

Moore: Lee, was there a tall fellow in a gray suit with a
mustache in there gambling tonight?

Lee: Not that I know of.

#1.

Wednesday - 6:00 A.M.
November 25, 1936
Line #1, Phone 446, of City Jail
and Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Ark.

6:00^{AM} Incoming: Hello GRM
Woman: How many breakfasts this AM.
Man: Eleven.

6:05 Outgoing to 1038 GRM
Man: Hello Mrs. Mack.
Woman: Yes.
Man: 6 grills
Woman: Thank you.

7:00 Outgoing to 3700 GRM
Man: Mr. Williams (Record)
Mr. Williams: Yes.
Man: I'm sending a trusty down for a paper for the Mayor.
Mr. Williams: I have no orders to give away any papers - they
Mayor is able to buy one.
Man: Mr. Charlie promised him one.
Mr. Williams: OK - if he promised one.

7:05 Incoming GRM
Man: Let me speak to Bob Moore.
He just went to breakfast.
Man: Where does he eat?
Try him at 291. I think he's there.
Man: Thanks.

7:40 Incoming GRM
City Jail
Girl: Is Mr. Griffin there?
Man: No.
Girl: When will he be back?
Man: I don't know.
Girl: Thanks.

8:30 Incoming NOTE GRM
City Jail
Is Arch there?
Night Jailer: No.
Is Dutch there?
Night Jailer: No.
Well listen this is Carl Forsher. Tell Dutch or Tucker
to take care of a ticket when it comes through this
morning. (Hung up).

8:35 Incoming

GRM

City Jail.
Is Arch there?
No he isn't in - leave a number?
No. I'll call again or come down.

8:36 Incoming

GRM

City Jail.
Is Bob Moore there?
No.
Have him call his sister - this is Mrs. Trammel.

9:15 Outgoing No. not obtained

GRM

Hello - Is Annie there?
Man: Just a minute.
A: Hello.
Man: Hello.
A: You back already.
Man: Yes - I'm going up to court for a while.
A: Are you coming out after then.
Man: Yes I'll be out in a little while.
A: OK babe - bye.

9:40 Incoming

GRM

City Jail
Is Mr. Moore there?
No he's gone home.
OK. Thanks.

9:50 Out.

HAS

Man: 3574 - ordered two breakfasts sent.

10:00 In.

HAS

Garnett's sister called asking if Garnett had
come back from the country.

10:10 In

HAS

Woman called Jeff and made plans for Thanksgiving
dinner.

10:30 In.

HAS

Dutch: Hello
Woman: Told Dutch she was lonesome and to call her sometime
early enough for her to make plans to leave baby
and go out for the night.

11:00 In.

HAS

Woman: Do you have a Maurice Roche or Sneiderbrook?
Brock: No, we haven't.

11:55 A.M. In.

HAS

Tucker: Hello.
Man: Mr. Tucker, where can I find Claude James?
Tucker: He's working with that gang near the Fire Dept.
on Water Street.

12:02 P.M. In.

HAS

Tucker: Hello, Police Dept.
Woman: I'm going to cook a turkey tomorrow. The folks are
here. Did Roy Kelly make his bond?
Tucker: Yes, he's but.

12:20 P.M. In.

HAS

Tucker: Hello, City Jail.
Eddie Sherman: Are they going to give boys in jail a special
dinner tomorrow?
Tucker: Not that I know of.

12:30 P.M. In.

HAS

Cecil Brock: Hello.
Woman: Do you remember where Jesse Pemberton was paroled from
in Texas? This is Esther.
Brock: No I don't. Write to Huntsville, Texas, and they'll
tell you.
Esther: I wanted to get in touch with him.
Brock: Where are you now, honey?
Esther: Down on Broadway.
Brock: Want to do something now?
Esther: I don't care. Who's up there?
Brock: No one. Come up the back alley like you had some
business.
Esther: All right.

12:45 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. Police Dept.
Man: Is Chief there? (drunk)
Man: No. He's gone to dinner.
Man: Well, God Damn, I wish he'd die.

1:05 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail
Man: Wrong number.

1:15 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Officer: 3337 Jonestown.
Man: All right.

1:50 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Police Dept.
Woman: Send the law down to the old house on the grounds
of the old Park Hotel. A woman stole a watch.
Man: OK.

1:55 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Woman: Is Louis Hinkle there?
Man: No, he's not.

2:15 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail
Officer: 114 Jonestown.
Man: OK.

2:17 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Woman: Is Arch Cooper there?
Man: No, he's out of town.

2:32 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 123.
Moore: Chief's Office.
Man: Get somebody to go up to Luke's Studio and get my
fingerprint camera. I'm tied up here, Moore.
Moore: OK.

3:20 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Jail.
Officer: 503 Jonestown.

3:32 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: City Jail.
Man: Is Dutch there?
Man: No, he's out.
Man: Well, I'll call back.

3:40 P.M. In

G.R.M.

Man: Hello - City Jail.
Woman: Is Bud Wakelin there?
Man: No, he isn't here now - he just left.
Woman: Thanks.

3:55 P.M. Incoming call NOTE

G.R.K.

Akers: City Jail.
Man: Dutch?
Akers: Yes.
Man: Say, I've got a telegram here I want to give you.
Akers: What's it all about?
Man: Wait and I'll read it.
Telegram - "TELEGRAM RECEIVED STOP STOCKS TIED UP
AT PRESENT TILL DUTCH TO ADVANCE NECESSARY
FUNDS TO RELEASE MAC MY WORD IS MY BOND
WILL SETTLE WHEN I RETURN
L M STRAUSS WM PENN HOTEL
LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA
Dutch: I'll wire him.
Man: I wish you would. It's only \$150 - don't twist me up.
Dutch: All right.

4:30 Outgoing

G.R.M.

Man: 3574.
Woman: Hello.
Man: 15.
Woman: Just a minute.
Man: Yes 15.
Woman: All right.

5:05 P.M. Incoming.

G.R.M.

Man: City Jail
Man: Does the chain gang go out tomorrow.
Man: No, it won't go out.

5:55 P.M. Incoming.

G.R.M.

Tucker: City Jail.
Peeples: There's a fight down in front of my place - send
some one down to stop it.
Tucker: All right. A man will be right down.

6:15 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Man: Hello. City Jail.
Officer: 3337 Jonestown.

6:25 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Man: Hello. City Jail.
Man: Have there been any accident calls this afternoon, Garnett?
Garnett: No, not that I know of.

7:05 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Man: City Jail.
Officer: 3337 Jonestown.
Man: All right, Charlie.

7:08 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Akers: Hello.
Man: Dutch, what have they got that Eddie Dismore that they
got on Laurel St. this afternoon for?
Akers: Drunk.
Man: OK. Thanks.

7:30 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Akers: Hello.

Girl: Hello honey. Why don't you call me sometime, Dutch.
I aint had no pettin' in a long time. Don't you
like me any more?

Akers: Sure. I haven't had time. Don't have a car either.

7:35 P.M. In.

G.R.M.

Dutch Akers: Hello.

Webb: Dutch this is Calvin Webb. Can I speak to John Webb?

John: Hello.

Webb: Hello son. Could you get out tomorrow for dinner?

John: No, guess not. I was a trusty but can't go out.

Webb: I'll see McLaughlin Friday and see what I can do.

8:05 P.M. In

G.R.M.

Man: City Jail.

Woman: Where's the fire?

Man: Near orphans home.

9:00 P.M. Incoming.

G.R.M.

Call for night jailer Corrington from girl, asking
that he call her at 6:00 A.M.

9:30 P.M. Incoming.

G.R.M.

Woman asked for Moore and carried on long conversation
of no importance.

9:50 P.M. Incoming.

G.R.M.

Corrington: Hello.

Mayor: Moore there?

Moore: Hello.

Mayor: Moore, this is Leo. Is everybody working?

Moore: All but Sellars - He'll probably be back in several
days.

Mayor: Have all car radiators been taken care of?

Moore: I think so.

Mayor: Take care of all those banks now.

Moore: Yes sir.

Mayor: All right.

G.R.M.

10:00 Incoming:

Officer reporting 1246.

10:25 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officer reported in.

11:00 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officer reported 116.

11:45 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Jail.
Man: Is Wayne Anderson around there?
Man: No. I haven't seen him.

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12:02 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello. City Jail.
Officer: Reported at 126.

12:50 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt. Hello.
Luke: Is Bob there?
Sgt: No. He'll be back in about 1/2 hour. Who's talking?
Luke: (hesitatingly) Luke is. I'll call him back. Is Charlie
Miller working now?
Sgt: No. Not now.
Luke: He's still on the trouble list?
Sgt: Yes.
Luke: I'll call back for Bob.

1:00 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt: Hello.
Bill: 116, Sgt., I left my key there too.
Sgt: OK. Andy has your key.

1:05 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt. Corrigan: Hello.
Man: Has Bob got back yet, Sgt. Corrigan?
Sgt: No, not yet. He's on the street.
Man: Have him call Citizens Cigar Store and ask for
somebody there. (no name).

1:40 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt: City Jail.
Man: Sgt., has Bob got back yet? (drunk)
Sgt: No.
Man: I want to see him when he gets back at Citizens.

2:00 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officers Bill and John reported at 126.

2:05 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt: Hello.
Man: Bob come in yet? (drunk)
Sgt: No. Not yet.
Man: Who's there? Is Press there?
Sgt: Yes.
Man: Tell him to come to Citizens. I want to talk to him.

3:00 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Officers Bill and John reported at 291.

3:30 A.M. In.

NOTE

Sgt: Hello.
Crawford: This Crawford at the Southern Grill. A man here want
pay off and we want him put in jail.
Sgt: OK.

3:33 A.M. In.

H.A.S.

Sgt: City Jail.
Man: Tell Andy I said bring that on up here, will you?
Sgt: OK.

5:00

G.R.M.

Officers Bill and John reported 777.

6:10 Incoming

G.R.M.

Corrington: City Jail.
Man: Can you send a man out to the Keystone Apts?
Corrington: Yes, who's calling?
Man: Joe Orbitt - works down at the Belvedere.
Corrington: OK.

G.R.M.

7:50 Outgoing

Man: 3574
Woman: Hello.
Man: You got 15?
Woman: 15.
Man: Yes ma'am.

#1

11-25-36
Tap on telephone #446. Telephone of
Chief of Police, Hot Springs, Ark.
Plant at 207 Laurel St.

12:05 A.M. Incoming.

H.A.S.

Officers: Reported in at 3337 Jonestown.

Moore: Do you want to go up in the country tomorrow after
somebody?

Officer: I can't. Have another appointment.

1:00 A.M. Incoming.

H.A.S.

Officer reported in.

2:45 A.M. Incoming - City Jail

Bob: Hello

Lee: Did you get that straightened out?

Bob: Yes - partly - man said he lost 167 dollars and had
\$57 on him. Also got a girl, too. Am going to hold
her here till morning to talk with her.

Lee: Well he was perfect stranger here and wasn't drunk but
maybe got a few drinks later.

Bob: All right Lee.

4:10 Incoming

777 Murray - Reporting In.

4:55 City Jail

Man: Is Bob there?

Bob: Hello.

Man: She's all set now to get on the bus - there ain't no use
of me staying here - is there?

Bob: No.

#1.

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Tap on Line #1 - Phone #446
Hot Springs, Ark.

8:05^{AM} Outgoing

GRM

Andy: 2377

Talked with Dr. Stough about condition of his mother.

8:40 Incoming

GRM

Man: City Jail.
Man: Is Red Whittaker there?
Man: No.
Man: If he comes in have him call 2174.

8:45 Incoming

GRM

Man: City Jail.
Man: Is Arch there?
Man: No.

10:00 Incoming

GRM

Man: Hello.
Woman: Is Ike Cooper there.
Man: No.
Woman: All right.

10:10 Incoming

GRM

Man: Chief's Office.
Man: Is Ben around?
Man: No, he isn't.

10:55 Incoming.

GRM

Man: City Jail.
Woman: Is Dr. Merritt around?
Man: No, he was here a little bit ago, but he went out.
Woman: I thank you.

12:30 P.M. In.

H/S

Brock: Hello.
Griffin: This is Griffin, Cecil. Is Buck there? Ask him to call that service station and see if they've sold that gun for me.
Buck: (taking phone) Griffin I haven't sold it yet. You come by tonight and leave it with me and I'll try to sell it to him in morning.
Griffin: OK Buck. Say, is Kenneth Dalce in the jail? He's been gone sometime and I thought he might be picked up. No, here he comes now.
Buck: No. He's not in here.

12:40 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Tucker: Hello.
Boy: Conversed with Tucker, his grandfather, about family matters.

12:45 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Tucker: City Jail.
Woman: Is there?
Tucker: No, he's out on call.
Woman: Tell him call me at 1416.

1:00 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Tucker: Hello.
Man: Send a car out to the Pool Hall on Hobson between 5th and 6th Streets.
Tucker: All right.

1:02 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Tucker: Hello. City Jail.
Man: Is Dutch there?
Tucker: No, he isn't.

1:05 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Tucker: Hello.
Man: Is Ben Witherow there?
Witherow: Hello.
Man: Ben, Ed O'Neil is over here. Are you coming over?
Witherow: Yes, in a few minutes.

1:40 P.M. In.

H.A.S.

Man: Hello.
Negro: How much is Rosie's bond?
Man: Who's calling.
Negro: (Hung up).

1:42 P.M. Out.

H.A.S.

Man: Called 3339-J.
Woman: Hello.
Man: Did somebody call for Joe Scott?
Woman: Yes. Stop by 912 West Grand.
Scott: Who's calling?
Woman: Can't tell you. Just stop by and ring doorbell.
Scott: OK.

1:47 Out 1403-J

J.L.M.

Man: Is Dave Rutherford there?
Woman: No. Call 942.
Man: OK.

1:48 Out 942

J.L.M.

Man: Is Rutherford there
Woman: Here he is.
Man: This is Mike from Malvern. I'm trying to get
in touch with Miss Mailey. I understand she
at one time worked for you.
Rutherford: No, she never worked for me. She is a trained
nurse, and is presently living at 105 Erie St.,
she's been sick for sometime - is confined to
her bed.
Mike: Will, I'll drop up and see her at that address.

2:00 Out 1545

J.L.M.

Woman: Hello.
Mike: I'm trying to locate Billy Ward.
Woman: She is downtown - I'm her mother.
Mike: Tell her to pay for those shoes she bought from
me last spring.
Woman: She's not home right now.
Mike: You tell her to send me a check for \$7.49 in the
next day or so. Where do you live?
Woman: At 229 Woodlawn Street.
Mike: I might be over to see her - if not, I will write.

2:05 In

J.L.M.

Man: Is Mr. Akers
Akers: What is it?
Man: This is Meredith at 210 $\frac{1}{2}$ South Third Street. There
is a man lying on the counter dead drunk. Will
you take him away.
Akers: Do you want him arrested?
Man: No - just want him taken away.
Akers: OK. I'll send a man over.

2:10 In

J.L.M.

Man: This is Rabbit calling - are any of the
boys around?
Man: No, there isn't.
Man: Well, I would like to have someone come over to
work in my place for a couple of hours.
Man: Well, there is no one here.

Man: Is Davis or Cecil there?
Man: No.
Man: You know where I can get in touch with either of them?
Man: No.

2:15 P.M. In.

J.L.M.

Man: Police Headquarters.
Operator: The party that called hung up. I'm sorry.
Man: OK.

2:17 P. M. Out.

J. L. M.

Man: 2599 please.
Operator: Line's busy.

2:18 P. M. Out.

J.L.M.

Man: 2599.
Woman: Hello.
Man: Is Red there?
Woman: No, he's at 1942.

2:19 P.M. Out

J.L.M.

Man: 1942 Please.
Red: Hello.
Man: Red? Come to city jail right away.

2:14 P.M. Incoming

J.L.M.

Man: This is 3337 - This is Archie.
Ar there any boys there to take my place?
Man: No.

4:02 P.M. Outgoing

D.P.S.

Man: 3574 please.
Woman: Hello.
Man: 16.
Woman: OK

4:20 P.M. Outgoing

D.P.S.

Man: Information please. Gets information and
asks for 840.
Man: Hello. Blue Ribbon Speaking.
Man calling: If Henry Collier is there, tell him I am going
out the way and will see him there.

4:45 P.M. Incoming

D.P.S.

Woman: Is Cecil there?
Man: No, he said when he left he would be back soon.
Woman: Thanks.

4:58 P.M. Outgoing:

D.P.S.

Man: 1402
Woman: Answers.
Man: What are you doing?
Woman: I was sleeping.
Man: Go on back to sleep. I will see you at 12 tonight.

5:05 P.M. Incoming

D.P.S.

Woman: Is Cecil Brock there?
Man: This is Cecil.
Woman: I told Nellie I would call you. I am going
to Bernice's at 6:00 P.M.
Brock: OK honey, I will meet you.

5:25 P.M. Incoming NOTE

D.P.S.

Man: Is Mr. Akers there?
Man answers: No he is out home to supper.
Man calling: What is his number.
Man: 666 is his number.

5:55 P.M. Outgoing to #65

D.P.S.

Art Cooper: Find out whether barber shop is open and
call me at #123.
Man: OK.

6:00 P.M. Outgoing to #1987

D.P.S.

Art Cooper: Find out if barber shop is open.
Oliver Spencer: No, it is closed.

6:15 P.M. Outgoing - did not get number NOTE
(probably to The Matterie Hotel)

D.P.S.

Man: Is Grade there?

Grace (Goldstein) Hello, sober?

Man: Yes.

Grace: I'll see you like hell. That all-night business gave me hell. We had a wonderful time. The Belvedere closed at 2:00 A.M. and the bunch came up.

b7C
Man:

Grace:

Yes. But he got lost. We had prizes up and [redacted] won a prize, a cigarette outfit. She had to pay for a prize too, a lay. Ha. Ha. Connie (Morris) won a prize, a pair of step-ins. She had a few drinks and got on a chair, took off her clothes and put them on. [redacted] told me today that he only had time to get home, take a bath and report for work.

Man:

Well, he did not get here until noon. Did [redacted] get drunk?

Grace:

No, he didn't have a drink. We had Scotch, Rye, Seagram's, cocktails and everything. I got to bed about 8:00 A.M. They are having another party tonight. [redacted] (phonetic) and Connie did a dance. Connie put on a hula skirt. Bobbie was there.

Man:

b7C
Grace:

Yes, that's the fellow. I called you this afternoon, but you weren't in.

Man:

No. I was at home. [redacted]

Grace:

You didn't show them that house on the hill did you? Ha.Ha. (probably referring to Woodcock home).

Man:

No, we went down to Malvern.

Grace:

(Talked about good time at party)

[redacted] did not come up. He was the only one missing. We had three maids working last night and they were kept busy mixing and serving drinks. We could go out for a little tonight but not for long.

Man:

That is up to you.

Grace:

We are having a party tonight to entertain the chauffeurs and there a bunch of them. We had better make it tomorrow night.

Man:

OK. See you tomorrow night.

6:50 P.M. Incoming call NOTE

J.L.M.

Man: This is office of Chief of Police.

Man calling: Is Akers there?

Officer: No.

Man calling: You know where I can reach him.

Officer: No, unless he is at home, call #666.

7:05 P.M. Incoming call

D.P.S.

Man: Who is there?

Officer: Bert Evans and "Dutch" Akers.

Man: Send them right down to Potter's store.

Snokey is on the warpath.

Officer: OK.

7:45 Incoming.

G.R.M.

Call from Tucker's granddaughter asking him to pick her up
at State Theater.

7:50

G.R.M.

Officer reported in.

Closed at 8:15 PM 11/26/36

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Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.		L.R. FILE NO. 7-2	
REPORT MADE AT Little Rock, Arkansas	DATE WHEN MADE 12-2-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/14-16-27 to 30/36	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN
TITLE GEORGE TIMMEY; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. No. 1232; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Files in the Little Rock Field Division in both the Kanmo and instant case reviewed and information set out herein relating to the corruption of city officials and the harboring of criminals in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the past. Names of known gambling houses and houses of prostitution presently operating, enumerated. Information concerning the activities, associates, and residences of Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, et al, at Hot Springs in 1935 and 1936 compiled in chronological order and such investigative activity of value in proving harboring case, indicated.

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DETAILS:

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In connection with the contemplated investigation to be conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to determine any and all persons responsible for having harbored Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell while they resided in Hot Springs, Arkansas, during the year of 1935, a review of the files in the Kansas City Massacre Case and the Brekid case in the Little Rock Field Division was made for the purpose of showing the corrupt political set-up and situation at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which made it possible for fugitives to live in this city without any interference by the local police. Particular attention was given to those persons who have in the past provided information at Hot Springs, both as to the harboring situation, and as to the possible corrupt conditions existing between the police and city officials with the criminal element that frequents this city, particularly in the winter season.

This report contains all available information indicating the presence of Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, and other members of this gang at Hot Springs, and their associates and activities in that city during the years 1935 and 1936. A number of leads at Hot Springs which had not been fully developed at the time of the arrests of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were noted in reviewing the file. Those leads which may be productive in the present harboring investigation and such investigative activity which was not previously undertaken at Hot Springs at the time when the whereabouts of fugitives in this case was sought are being summarized in this report.

INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CORRUPTION OF CITY ADMINISTRATION
OF HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS.

During the investigation which was conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, in connection with the Kanmo case, several informants have been developed who have provided information indicating a corrupt political set-up and close alliance between thieves, racketeers, confidence men, and fugitives with the present city administration of Hot Springs, Arkansas. In order that the agents who will work on this case at Hot Springs, Arkansas, may have some background of this situation, the information which is contained in the Kanmo files in the Little Rock Field Division, having particular bearing on this matter, is being set hereinafter with reference being made to the report or communication from which this information was secured.

In the report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, dated at Chicago, Illinois, October 6, 1934, there is contained a signed statement obtained from Richard T. Galatas, in which he describes the existing conditions at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the said information being based on his experience with the various public officials of that town. It was noted that Galatas advised that he was arrested one day in 1930 by Herbert "Dutch" Akers, Chief Detectives, Hot Springs, for suspicion of confidence game; that at the time

Galatas propositioned Akers that if he would not molest him and permit him to work the confidence game in Hot Springs, he would pay him some money, if he made any. To this Akers acquiesced, and at times when Galatas did not pay any money, Akers got after him. Galatas advised that Akers put so much heat and pressure on him when he could not pay, that he went to Frank Clark, who then had the slot machine concession in Hot Springs, and told him of his difficulty with "Dutch" Akers. Clark agreed to help him out. At that time, this being in 1931, Dick Galatas was associated with a confidence man from Indianapolis named John Rumer. Whenever Rumer and Galatas made any money in Hot Springs playing the confidence game, part of it was given to Frank Clark, who paid off the city officials. At that time Leo McLaughlin was already the mayor of Hot Springs, V. S. Ledgerwood was the County Judge, and a man by the name of Buick was City Attorney. The amounts given to these officials varied, depending of course upon the size of the purse collected in the confidence game played. On occasions it would be \$200.00, \$300.00, \$500.00, and sometimes it would be as high as \$1,000.00. Galatas at that time was operating a hand-book and baseball book, and the payoff for protection of these operations was made through Frank Clark, who paid the above named city officials. In addition to this, Galatas had his bookkeeper named "Little Jeff" go into the city court at Hot Springs every two weeks, enter a plea of guilty, and pay a fine of \$126.50.

Galatas advised that he first met Frank Nash in the early spring of 1932 in Jackie Smith's handbook establishment in Hot Springs. In 1933 Galatas began operating the handbook in the White Front Cigar Store on Central Avenue in Hot Springs, and Frank Nash frequented this place on various occasions. Sometime during the early part of 1933 Nash spoke with Galatas, and told him that he wanted to remain in Hot Springs for a while, and in this connection asked if there was any danger of his being picked up if he decided to stay. Galatas told him that he would call "Dutch" Akers and make an appointment with him for Nash to have a talk with him, if he desired it. Nash agreed to this, after which Galatas did call Akers, and Akers and Nash talked together in the kitchen of Galatas' home in Hot Springs. After the conversation with Akers, Nash told Galatas that everything was fixed, and that he would continue to live in Hot Springs. Galatas advised that "Dutch" Akers knew that Frank Nash was an Escaped Federal Prisoner, and that he was wanted by the Bureau as such; that Galatas told Akers that Nash would be in and out of Hot Springs, and that he was not to be bothered.

It should be noted that "Dutch" Akers has the reputation of being a double-crosser, in that he will usually try to play both ends, in order to keep himself clear of the law, and at the same time attempt to maintain the goodwill of the criminal element which he is representing. A decisive example of this are the circumstances surrounding the apprehension of Frank Nash at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

In the report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, July 3, 1933, there is set out an interview had with an individual identified as [redacted] and who is believed to be [redacted] in which

the informant stated in part that Dick Galatas prior to June, 1933, was boss of the slot machine racket in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that he was in partnership with Frank Clark and Leo McLaughlin, the mayor of the city, in this enterprise; that Galatas was the official representative of the gangster world in Hot Springs, and that he got his orders from the head of the Syndicate in Chicago, thought to have been "Three-fingered" Jack White, who is now deceased; that it was Galatas' duty in Hot Springs to arrange for and afford protection to the gangsters who came there to cool off or for other purposes.

In this same report there is contained a memorandum prepared by Special Agent Harold E. Anderson, which covers an interview had by him with William Brandenburg, former Chief of Police of Hot Springs. Mr. Brandenburg advised that prior to June 1933 Dick Galatas, Frank Clark, and George McLaughlin, brother of the Mayor, had the slot machine concession in Hot Springs; that sometime in the early part of 1933, George McLaughlin accused a taxi driver of using slugs in one of the slot machines, and in an argument that ensued McLaughlin killed this man while Galatas held him; that McLaughlin was tried but was found Not Guilty by a fixed jury; that thereafter they temporarily ceased operations of these slot machines, and associated with the men mentioned above were Marion Anderson, a former Deputy Sheriff, Herbert "Dutch" Akers, and Joe Wakelin, Chief of Police.

According to Brandenburg all the officials of Hot Springs are in on the pay off and receive 15% of the proceeds from crooked gambling, confidence games, vice, etc. Brandenburg mentioned that the following men can be trusted in the event an interview with them is desired:

Brant Smith, former Sheriff of Hot Springs, Arkansas.
Judge Scott Wood, of the Arkansas Trust Company.
Dr. William J. Smith, Medical Arts Building, Hot Springs.
Jim Polas, alias "Big Jim", the Greek proprietor of the Lee Hotel.

Mr. Brandenburg advised that no one connected with the city or county administration can be trusted to give reliable information, and further stated that most of the confidence men take their baths at the Maurice Bath House; that the manager of this bath house would give no information.

In the above-mentioned report of Agent Trainor there is also set out an interview had by Special Agent H. E. Anderson with one Ernie Hill, a former employee of Dick Galatas. It was noted that Ernie Hill advised that in 1930 Dick Galatas opened a garage called the Owl Street Garage in Hot Springs, which was managed by Hill; that the garage was used as a blind for Confidence Men who were then working under the direction of Dick Galatas; that Galatas at that time did a thriving business, and he had as many as 102 Confidence Men in his employ; that Galatas was in league with the City Administration of Hot Springs, and paid off to them through Herbert "Dutch" Akers; that when conditions in Hot Springs would get hot, Akers would call at the garage and suggest that the racketeers leave town for a short time, this being done

through Galatas; that none of the "Con" men were allowed to work in Hot Springs without the sanction of Galatas, and if they tried to do so, he would have them arrested by the local administration.

Ernie Hill further stated that Frank Nash came to Hot Springs in the early part of 1933 and associated himself with Galatas; that Nash was well known to the Police and the Sheriff's office at Hot Springs, but he had nothing to fear from them, inasmuch as he was under the protection of Galatas.

Dick Galatas is presently incarcerated in the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas for a period of two years in connection with the Kansas City Massacre Case. It is probable that W. S. Jacobs, owner of the Belvedere Club, and various other gambling spots in Hot Springs, replaced Galatas' power as a 'fixer' and controller of gambling after the latter was committed to the penitentiary. He will frequently be mentioned in the contemplated investigation at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

GAMBLING HOUSES

Following are the known gambling houses at Hot Springs, Arkansas, which are reported to be operated by William S. Jacobs:

Belvedere Club Cafe, 2½ miles out of Hot Springs on the Little Rock highway.

Southern Club, 248 Central Avenue

Ohio Cigar Store, 336 Central Avenue

Miller Cigar Store, 524 Central Avenue

The owners of the following gambling places are not known:

Millsaps' Cigar Store, 428 Central Avenue

Citizens Sporting Results, 740 Central Avenue

White Front Cigar Store, 310 Central Avenue

Chicago Cigar Store, 726 Central Avenue

All of the above gambling places operate openly. With the exception of the Belvedere Club Cafe, they are all located in the downtown district of Hot Springs, and no effort is apparently made to conceal their existence. Most of them are located on the street floor along Central Avenue, the principal business street. The gambling consists of race horse betting, dice, and

roulette games, and the announcing over loud speakers of the results of horse races can be heard by passersby on Central Avenue.

It is reported that members of the Hot Springs Police Department are employed at these gambling establishments at different times in relieving regular employees. This condition is reported to be especially true, during the winter season when business is unusually heavy.)

KNOWN HOUSES OF PROSTITUTION

The Battered Hotel, operated by Grace Goldstein,
233½ Central Avenue.

The Proctor House, operated by "Mother" Proctor,
300 Block of Central Avenue.

Lillian Bahre,
809½ Central Avenue.

Lillian Pearrow,
105 Prospect Street.

"Bessie",
708½ Central Avenue.

Star Rooms, operated by Ada Garner,
827½ Central Avenue.

It will be noted that all of the above mentioned houses of prostitution, with the exception of the place of Lillian Pearrow, are located on Central Avenue, the principal business thoroughfare. It is reported that houses of prostitution operate at Hot Springs with little or no police interference.

ACTIVITIES OF KARPIS, ET AL, AT HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS.

Mention is first made in the file at the Little Rock Field Division of the presence of any members of the Barker-Karpis gang in Hot Springs, Arkansas, in the statement of Wynona Burdette, made at Chicago, Illinois, in September, 1934. In this statement Wynona Burdette mentions that in the summer of 1932 she and Harry Campbell spent about three weeks at Hot Springs. Campbell at that time was taking mineral water baths to relieve an attack of gonorrheal rheumatism. Although it is probable that Harry Campbell made acquaintances with various people at Hot Springs on the above occasion, there is nothing in the file to indicate that the persons with whom he and Karpis were associated in the years 1935 and 1936 were known to either of them prior to these years.

On March 22, 1934 the Bureau issued an identification order on Alvin Karpis. An identification order on Arthur R. "Doc" Barker was issued by the Bureau on March 23, 1934. Inasmuch as the Little Rock Division had not yet opened at that time, it is probable these two identification orders were distributed to the Hot Springs Police Department and to other agencies by the Oklahoma City Division, which at that time included Hot Springs in its territory.

On or about October 13, 1934 a set of temporary wanted notices for several subjects in instant case, including a temporary wanted notice for Harry Campbell, was forwarded to each Field Division for distribution to the police departments in the larger cities in their respective territories. These wanted notices do not contain any information concerning the nature of the violation for which the individual named in the notices are wanted. Bureau letter dated October 13, 1934, requested that a set of these wanted notices be furnished to Police Departments in the larger cities, and that a search be made of the files of such police departments for previous arrests, names of associates, and other data which might be helpful in locating members of the Barker-Karpis gang. Mention is also made in this letter of identification order No. 1218, issued for Alvin Karpis, and the Bureau indicated in this letter that it desired the same information concerning Karpis as for the individuals mentioned in the temporary wanted notices.

There is a memorandum of Special Agent N. E. Marshall, dated October 23, 1934, contained in the Little Rock file, which states that Agent Marshall had contacted Lt. Cecil Brock, head of the Identification Bureau of the Hot Springs Police Department, and had left with him a set of wanted notices; that Lt. Brock searched the files of the Hot Springs Police Department and advised Agent Marshall that none of the individuals mentioned in the wanted notices had ever been arrested by the Hot Springs Police Department, and there was no data in the file regarding these persons.

On April 25, 1935 three individuals robbed a Mail Truck at Warren, Ohio, and obtained a loot of \$72,000.00. It is known that Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, and Fred Hunter were involved in this robbery. Information has been obtained from John Brock, who is presently being held at Cleveland, Ohio, by the Post Office Department, for taking part in the Garrettsville Mail Robbery, a job also pulled by the above named individuals, that during May, 1935, Fred Hunter visited Tulsa, Oklahoma. It is probable that immediately after the robbery at Warren, Ohio, Karpis and Hunter proceeded from Ohio to Hot Springs, Arkansas, which is in line with information provided by Clayton Hall.

On May 3, 1935, Chief of Detectives Herbert "Dutch" Akers, of the Hot Springs Police Department, telephonically communicated with Special Agent in Charge R. L. Shivers, and advised that he had some information concerning Alvin Karpis which he had obtained from an informant. On the same date

Special Agent in Charge Shivers and Agent N. E. Marshall interviewed Myron E. Thompson, mentioned by Akers, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, who stated that shortly before the date of this interview he saw a man whom he was certain was Alvin Karpis in a gambling house at Marked Tree, Arkansas. Investigation was conducted at that time at Marked Tree, Arkansas, but no gambling house could be located in that vicinity.

It is entirely possible that Karpis and Fred Hunter were residing in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on May 3, 1935. It is definitely known that Fred Hunter obtained a prescription at a pharmacy located at 244 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, on May 14, 1935.

Fred Hunter, when interviewed, stated that sometime during May, 1935, he came to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for treatment of a venereal disease; that while in Hot Springs, he learned that it was a good town to cool off; that thereafter he returned to Warren, Ohio, and contacted Alvin Karpis; that he and Karpis thereupon returned to Hot Springs, around the first part of June, 1935. During the month of June, 1935, Karpis and Hunter began to frequent the house of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein, at 123 Palm Street. There is some information in the file indicating that Dr. Paul Z. Browne, of Hot Springs, had formerly treated Grace Goldstein, and it is possible that Dr. Browne referred Karpis and Hunter to the Goldstein woman, it being noted that Dr. Browne's records indicate that Fred Hunter was first treated by him in March, 1930, and that Hunter was thereafter treated by Dr. Browne from June 15, 1935 to July 16, 1935.

After making the acquaintance of Grace Goldstein, Karpis and Hunter stayed at her house of prostitution at 123 Palm Street, consorted with the inmates, and spent money lavishly. During the summer of 1935 Grace Goldstein moved from Palm Street, and set up a house of prostitution at 1338 S. Central Avenue, Hot Springs, and thereafter again moved and began operating a house of prostitution at 602 S. Third Street, or 701 South Street, both in South Hot Springs. Apparently both Karpis and Hunter resided at the above mentioned houses of prostitution operated by Grace Goldstein during the summer of 1935. Hunter became infatuated with Connie Morris during this time, she being employed by the Goldstein woman as a prostitute.

On or about September 1, 1935, Alvin Karpis, under the alias of Fred Parker, and Fred Hunter, under the name of Harold King, moved into a house at Dyer's Landing located on Lake Hamilton, just outside of the city of Hot Springs, Arkansas. Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris resided with Karpis and Hunter in this house. Harry Campbell and Sam Coker also visited this house, and it is probable that Milton Lett and George "Burrhead" Keady also visited this place in the fall of 1935.

On the afternoon of October 5, 1935, Chief of Detectives Herbert "Dutch" Akers telephoned the Little Rock Field Division, and stated that he had information concerning one Parker, who was suspicious; that this man had been in Hot Springs for sometime and was driving a Hudson Coupe bearing Ohio license plates No. H-372-M, which plates were issued to E. F. Parker, 323 N. Phelps Street, Youngstown, Ohio, and that the Ellice of that town had

advised him by telegram that Parker was unknown at that place; that he had checked further and had learned that the Hudson Coupe in question bore Serial No. 551492, and was purchased on August 1, 1935 from the Manning-Marino Company, at Youngstown, Ohio, by cash. When contacted, Akers stated he had never seen Parker, but had received information that he had been residing at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton for several weeks; that he wore smoked glasses when he visited Hot Springs; that he, Akers, had called at Dyer's Landing on the morning of October 2, 1935, and had secured the license number of the Hudson Coupe; that thereafter he wired the State Motor Vehicle Bureau in Columbus, Ohio, and the Youngstown Police Department, and had obtained the information set out above concerning this automobile.

On October 2, 1935, three days before Chief of Detectives Akers notified the Little Rock Field Division of his suspicions concerning Parker, Alvin Karpis, Hunter, Harry Campbell, and Sam Coker were in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and were frequenting the house they had rented at Dyer's Landing. Morris B. Loftis, caretaker at Dyer's Landing, stated that on October 2, 1935, which was the same date that Akers stated he first learned of a suspicious person or persons at Dyer's Landing, the above mentioned individuals who occupied the said cottage left, and did not thereafter return. Grace Goldstein confidentially informed, on one occasion, that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell left Hot Springs, Arkansas, on October 3, or 4, 1935, and that Sam Coker and Fred Hunter left on the morning of October 5, 1935. At any rate, all of these men had already left Hot Springs, Arkansas, on the afternoon of October 5, 1935, when Akers notified the Little Rock Field Division of his suspicions.

On October 6, 1935, a search was made of the residence which had been occupied by Alvin Karpis and his associates at Dyer's Landing. The only articles located were three prescription bottles which were found in the garbage can. No fingerprints were discovered on these bottles or on the premises. However, within a few days Chief of Detectives Akers advised Grace Goldstein that one of her fingerprints was found in the house above mentioned. This information was apparently given by Grace Goldstein to Alvin Karpis, and it is probable that Karpis in turn told Edith Barry, at Toledo, of the finding of a fingerprint in a house vacated by him at Hot Springs, inasmuch as Edith Barry stated that she had heard of this incident.

The file in the Little Rock Field Division does not reflect where "Dutch" Akers obtained the information of the presence of a suspicious person at Dyer's Landing. Grace Goldstein has informed that a man named Wilson, who operates Wilson's Tavern near Dyer's Landing, provided Akers with this information. It has also been reported that Wilson was approached by some members of the gang for the rental of one of Wilson's cottages at Lake Hamilton, prior to their locating at Dyer's Landing.

In a previous interview with Grace Goldstein, she confidentially stated that she had received information in October, 1935 from a source which she refused to disclose that the Government was making inquiries

concerning Karpis and Hunter at Hot Springs, and that she was successful in getting Karpis and Hunter out of the house at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton just a few hours before the Agents made an inspection of that place. It will be noted that the information provided by the Goldstein woman does not agree with what was said by Morris Loftis, it being recalled that he stated that all the occupants of the cottage at Dyer's Landing left on October 2, 1935, and that he did not see them any more thereafter. It should also be noted that the Little Rock Field Division file does not indicate that any investigation was conducted by the Bureau within several weeks prior to October 5, 1935, when Akers first notified this Division of his suspicions concerning the individual named Parker, later identified as Alvin Karpis.

On October 12, 1935, the Associated Press representative at Little Rock, Arkansas, advised that information had been broadcasted at St. Louis, Missouri, that Karpis was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, shortly before the above date, and that Federal Agents had raided the premises where he was staying subsequent to his departure. The Little Rock Field Division file does not reflect that Akers or any other person connected with the Hot Springs Police Department was advised at that time that the suspicious persons who had resided at Dyer's Landing might have included Alvin Karpis. The information in the possession of the Associated Press on October 12, 1935 undoubtedly was provided by Dutch Akers or some other person connected with the Police Department at Hot Springs.

Assuming that Dutch Akers was the source of the information released to the Associated Press as above indicated, and considering the statement of Grace Goldstein that Akers informed her a day or two following October 6, 1935, of the finding of one of her fingerprints on a mirror in the cottage at Dyer's Landing, which was searched by Bureau Agents, it is apparent that at that time Akers had knowledge of the fact that Grace Goldstein and Alvin Karpis had been staying at the cottage at Dyer's Landing. The Little Rock file does not reflect that Akers ever notified this Division of the finding of a fingerprint of Grace Goldstein at the said cottage, or that he ever provided any information to a Bureau representative linking Grace Goldstein with Alvin Karpis prior to March 28, 1936.

After leaving Hot Springs, Arkansas in the first part of October, 1935, Karpis and Hunter apparently proceeded to Youngstown, Ohio, as on October 15, 1935 they sold back to the Manning-Marino Motor Company at Youngstown, the 1935 Hudson Coupe which they had purchased from the same company on August 1, 1935, and which is the same car Dutch Akers saw at Dyer's Landing and made inquiries concerning.

On November 7, 1935, Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell, Fred Hunter, John Brock, and Benson Groves participated in the Garrettsville Train Robbery. On the following morning Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter were taken to Hot Springs, Arkansas, by John Zetzer, of Port Clinton, Ohio, arriving at Hot Springs on the morning of November 10, 1935. The file indicates that Grace Goldstein and/or Connie Morris were expected to meet Karpis and Hunter at the Hot Springs Airport, but they failed to do so. It is probable,

however, that shortly after their arrival at Hot Springs, Karpis and Hunter contacted these two girls. Thereafter from December 1, 1935 to February 10, 1936, Alvin Karpis, Grace Goldstein, Fred Hunter, and Connie Morris, resided together at 123 Faneal Street, Hot Springs. Grace Goldstein was at that time operating a house of prostitution at the Hatterie Hotel, 233½ Central Avenue, Hot Springs.

About the middle of December, 1935, in response to a telegraphic invitation sent by Alvin Karpis from Hot Springs, Arkansas, Clayton Hall and his wife proceeded to Hot Springs in Karpis' Terraplane Coupe and remained until December 21, 1935. During this period Clayton Hall and his wife associated with Alvin Karpis, Grace Goldstein, and Fred Hunter, at 127 Faneal Street.

On January 14, 1936, John Stover, Manager of the Municipal Airport, Hot Springs, Arkansas, with his wife, flew Alvin Karpis from Hot Springs to Youngstown, Ohio. Karpis there contacted Informant Clayton Hall, who returned with the Stovers to Hot Springs on January 15, 1936. On arriving at Hot Springs, Hall got in touch with Grace Goldstein, probably upon instructions given him by Karpis. On January 17, 1936, John Stover and his wife flew Grace Goldstein and Clayton Hall from Hot Springs to Canton, Ohio. On the following morning, January 18th, Mr. and Mrs. Stover picked up Karpis and Grace Goldstein at the Canton Airport and returned them to Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Clayton Hall has stated that while in Hot Springs in January or February 1936, Grace Goldstein was tipped off by some unknown person that inquiries were being made at Hot Springs regarding Fred Hunter; that she thereupon advised Alvin Karpis and suggested that he visit her family's farm in Texas until she found out what the inquiry was; that it was learned that the inquiry did not involve Karpis and for this reason he remained in Hot Springs. The Little Rock file reflects investigation conducted at Hot Springs, on February 6, 1936, when a photograph of Fred Hunter was identified by Mrs. Al Dyer, owner of Dyer's Landing, Morris B. Loftis, caretaker at Dyer's Landing, and Dr. Paul Z. Browne, #803 Medical Arts Building.

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On February 8, 1936, Special Agent L. L. Demron exhibited to Mrs. A. Dyer, Dr. Loftis, and Dr. Paul Z. Browne a photograph of Fred Hunter, and all three of them identified the same as one of the men who had resided in the house at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton. This information, in some manner, was disclosed to Grace Goldstein, and she of course notified Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter of the same. At that time they were residing with the Goldstein woman and Connie Morris at 127 Faneel Street in Hot Springs, and shortly thereafter on February 10, 1936, Karpis had Clayton Hall rent for him a house outside of the city limits of Hot Springs, this being the Woodcock residence which was unsuccessfully raided by Bureau Agents on March 30, 1936.

On March 12, 1936, William Eisenberg, former Chief of Police at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Edward Tallon, Galatas got in touch with the Little Rock Field Division and made a proposition, that in return for information that Galatas might furnish regarding the present whereabouts of William Elmer Lead, he, Galatas would not have to serve the sentence imposed upon him in the Kanno Case. It was at that time stated that he was not personally acquainted with Alvin Karpis; that he did not know that Karpis was with Lead but only suspected it.

On March 10, 1936, Galatas had contacted Special Agent in Charge H. E. Anderson of the Phoenix Field Division by telephone, Galatas at that time being in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Galatas stated that he was in a position to "fix" Lead and that he thought that Lead and Karpis were in contact with each other. It is probable that Galatas, through his numerous local connections, actually knew that Karpis was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, at that time. In view of the known close association of Galatas with Chief of Detectives Herbert "Dutch" Akers, it is probable that if Galatas had information concerning the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis he would have provided this information to Akers.

On March 21, 1936, Agent Demron learned from [redacted] a confidential informant of the Little Rock Division, that a person resembling Alvin Karpis had been in Hot Springs during November, 1935, he having received this information confidentially from John Stover, manager of the Airport at Hot Springs. When Stover was subsequently interviewed on March 22, 1936, it was learned that three men arrived in a plane at Hot Springs from Ohio on November 9, 1935, and that one of these men was Karpis. It seems that Stover had at that time been previously interviewed by Postal Inspectors, and they undoubtedly disclosed the identity of the three passengers to Stover, they having received this information from John Brock, a participant in the Garrettsville, Ohio train robbery.

From the file it appears that around this period the Postal Inspectors working in cooperation with Joe Anderson, a Kansas State Highway Patrolman, had already concentrated in Hot Springs looking for Karpis and others in connection with the Garrettsville Mail Robbery, they having possibly been led there by John Brock, who at that time was already in custody of the Postal Inspectors. The file reflects, and this is merely secondary information, that Joe Anderson enlisted the cooperation of Cecil Brock, fingerprint man in the Hot Springs Police Department, and the latter's brother, John Brock, a cab driver, as informants. It appears that John Brock, the cab driver, was infatuated with Connie Morris, who at that time was living with Fred Hunter, and on the evening of March 25, 1936, Brock had apparently gotten drunk and, in trying to get Connie to put Hunter on the spot for the Postal Inspectors, disclosed to her everything the Inspectors had told him. The information goes that Connie became alarmed and told Grace Goldstein what Brock had told her, and apparently thereafter, Grace or Connie informed Karpis and Hunter of this information, it having been learned that the latter two subjects hastily left Hot Springs on the afternoon of March 26, 1936.

The file further reflects that Herbert "Doc" Akers contacted Agent Barron on March 28, 1936, two days after Karpis and Hunter apparently made their hurried departure, and informed him of the activities of the Postal Inspectors in their efforts to locate and apprehend Karpis. Akers at that time stated that two Post Office Inspectors had called upon him and made inquiry concerning Grace Goldstein, Madam of the Hatteria Hotel, 233 Central Avenue, stating that they had been tailing her for several days; that during his interview with the Post Office Inspectors he learned that Connie Morris was the girl friend of Fred Hunter and was formerly an inmate of Grace's place; that, in some way, the Post Office Inspectors had contacted a Yellow Cab taxi driver by the name of Brock, a brother of Cecil Brock, Lieutenant of the Hot Springs Police Department; that Brock had gotten drunk and disclosed everything to Connie Morris and told her that the Post Office Inspectors were going to send her to Alderson, West Virginia, for harboring; that Connie then became very much alarmed and immediately left town.

Akers also stated at that time that he had Grace Goldstein come to his office where she was interviewed for several hours by the Post Office Inspectors and himself. On this same occasion, Chief of Detectives Akers took Agent Barron to a local address in Hot Springs where a prostitute named Virginia, commonly known as Singer was interviewed, this woman previously having been employed by Grace Goldstein as a prostitute. Singer stated that

Grace and Connie had been keeping company with two men who were supposed to be brothers, named Ed and Harold King and she identified the photographs of Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter as being identical with these two men.

On March 29, 1936, Chief Akers, at the request of Agent Darron took him to the Hatterie Hotel for the purpose of interviewing Grace Goldstein, Akers first going inside alone for the purpose of seeing whether Grace was at home. Thereafter, Agent Darron interviewed Grace Goldstein at the Hatterie Hotel and she stated that on the morning of March 26, 1936, Connie Morris told her that she had to leave town after Connie had telephoned her mother by long distance telephone and that she, Grace Goldstein, drove Connie to Arkadelphia where she left Connie out of the car; that upon returning to Hot Springs she learned that Brock had scared Connie by telling her some men were looking for Harold and that they were going to send her to the women's reformatory at Alderson, West Virginia.

On March 28, 1936, "Dutch" Akers told Agent Darron that Brock, the cab driver, told him that Fred Hunter had been in Hot Springs the week of March 2, 1936, at which time he was driving a coupe with some kind of insignia on the side.

On March 30, 1936, Bureau Agents, accompanied by Post Office Inspectors, raided the Woodcock residence on Lake Catherine near Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Karpis, Fred Hunter, Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris had been residing. The same day Akers communicated with Special Agent in Charge Chapman Fletcher from Hot Springs by long distance telephone and stated that he could locate the negro woman who had been working as a cook for the persons who had been living at the Woodcock home and expressed his willingness to cooperate and requested the Bureau to call upon him for assistance.

The file contains information to the effect that on the night of March 29, 1936, the night before the Woodcock residence was raided, Grace Goldstein and another person visited this house. Joe Anderson was interviewed on or about April 4, 1936, by Special Agent Frank Smith and he stated that he had obtained information from a confidential informant, (probably Brock, the cab driver) that on the night before the raid on the Woodcock house, Grace Goldstein came to the Hot Springs Police Department, picked up Chief of Police

Joseph Wakelin and they went for a ride, it being Anderson's opinion that Wakelin and Grace were the parties who visited the Woodcock residence that night.

Anderson also stated that he had learned from a confidential source (probably from Brock) that on one occasion, Chief of Police Wakelin had exchanged license plates with Grace Goldstein and she made a trip into Oklahoma; that the informant changed the license and the Chief had him put Grace's license plates on his personal car; that Mrs. Wakelin wanted to use the car for something and the informant quickly obtained the Chief's license plates for Grace and put them back on his car.

On April 3, 1936, Special Agent E. L. Damron interviewed Chief of Detectives Akers at the Hot Springs Police Department, at which time Akers provided information concerning the Buick automobile purchased by Grace Goldstein at the Dresser Motor Company, Hot Springs, Arkansas, and the second Buick automobile which was the property of Alvin Karpis. At that time Agent Damron questioned both Akers and Chief Wakelin jointly, if they knew who the officers were, who were in the Woodcock house on the night before the raid and they both stated that they knew nothing about such an incident.

On or about April 4, 1936, Special Agent Frank Smith frequently contacted "Dutch" Akers and Akers stated in referring to Karpis and Hunter residing in Hot Springs, that he had received information that some suspicious persons were at Lake Hamilton and he obtained the license number of their car which he checked and later advised the Little Rock Field Division; that he was advised later that one of these suspicious persons was Fred Hunter, who was not wanted by the Bureau; that later the Post Office Inspectors advised him as to the connections of Hunter and Karpis and the airplane trips to and from Hot Springs and that Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris had been associating with Fred Hunter and Karpis; that he then recalled having seen some man in company with Grace Goldstein but did not connect them with the man that had occupied the cabin on Lake Hamilton and did not know that it was Karpis; that he was also told by the Post Office Inspectors that a cab driver by the name of Brock, who is a brother of Lieutenant Cecil Brock of the Police Department, had gotten drunk and told Connie Morris of the efforts being made by the Post Office Inspectors to apprehend the men and Connie immediately left town; that he understood that information had been obtained by the Bureau that Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin

and Grace Goldstein had been in the Woodcock house on the night of March 28, 1936, and shortly before the raid; that he had thought the matter over and was thinking of going to the Chief and telling him that if such was a fact to lay the cards on the table as the Government was sure "to get under it", but he did not think such procedure advisable because of his position so he said nothing to the Chief.

Regarding the above statements of Akers, attention is directed to the information previously set forth, indicating that within two or three days after October 6, 1935, when investigation was conducted by Bureau Agents at Dyer's Landing, Akers was informed of the fact that both Grace Goldstein and Alvin Karpis had stayed at the cottage at Dyer's Landing. It is also interesting to note, in view of the close association of Cecil Brock and "Dutch" Akers, that it was Brock's brother who was supposed to have gotten drunk and told Connie Morris about the inquiries being made about Fred Hunter. Neither Grace Goldstein nor Connie Morris appeared to have any great reluctance in disclosing this particular information even though it put Brock in an unfavorable light. The possibility exists that Akers, Cecil Brock, Grace Goldstein and Connie Morris may have concocted the plan in advance of Brock disclosing to Connie Morris confidential information while drunk, in order that Connie might have reason for leaving town.

From April 4, 1936, frequent contacts were had with "Dutch" Akers by Special Agent Frank Smith and other agents, up until the time that Karpis and Hunter were captured in New Orleans, Louisiana, but the file does not reflect any information obtained at that period from Akers of any particular importance to this investigation. Akers, probably because of the vigorous activity of Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors and the general "heat" on Hot Springs due to the intensive investigation there in the search of Karpis, gave every indication of desiring to aid in his capture. He may have been spurred on by the large reward for the capture of Karpis, which Akers estimated would amount to \$11,000.00.

On April 10, 1936, Grace Goldstein left Hot Springs, Arkansas, for New Orleans, Louisiana, where she contacted Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris. She did not return until April 25, 1936. On April 10, prior to her leaving Hot Springs, she talked with Grace Goldstein at the Hatto Hotel.

and he, apparently, attempted to induce her to inform him of the whereabouts of Alvin Karpis. Akers has stated that on this occasion he promised Grace Goldstein that he would obtain for her \$11,000.00 in reward money, which the Post Office Inspectors had told him about, Akers stating that all he desired was the honor of catching Karpis and his companions. Grace Goldstein refused the offer of Akers and refused to divulge to him any information concerning Karpis' whereabouts. Akers advised Inspector E. J. Connelley, on May 21, 1936, that just prior to the time when he talked with Agent Demron in March, 1936, (probably March 23, 1936) Post Office Inspector Haynes talked with him as to any information Akers might have concerning Karpis; that thereafter Haynes "blew up" the entire matter by going to the Yellow Cab Company and contacting a taxi driver named Brock, for the purpose of having Brock contact Connie Morris; that Brock got drunk and disclosed everything he knew to Connie Morris.

Chief of Police Joseph Wakelin, when interviewed by Inspector Connelley on May 21, 1936, stated that the first intimation he had that possibly Karpis and others were in the vicinity of Hot Springs was when information came that two parties had gone into a store in the vicinity of Dyer's Landing and made some purchases of bandages, gauze, etc., and through their suspicious actions, they had been reported to the police, the matter being handled by Chief of Detectives Akers and as he recalled it, was also reported to some Government Officer; that the next information he had was obtained when Grace Goldstein was brought to the Police Department for questioning. This probably refers to the interview of Grace Goldstein by Post Office Inspectors and Akers on March 26, 1936.

Wakelin further stated that after the return of Grace Goldstein (on April 25, 1936) he rode out into the country with her and talked with her for about an hour and a half, seeking to learn the whereabouts of Karpis, but that she refused to disclose to him any information. Wakelin admitted that prior to the time that Grace Goldstein obtained 1936 tags for her Buick Coupe, he lent her Arkansas License plates #119-495, which were issued to him for an Auburn sedan, a car personally owned by him, for use on her car. Wakelin denied that he accompanied Grace Goldstein to the Woodcock home the night previous to the raid by Federal Agents on March 20, 1936.

Chief Akers, when interviewed on the above occasion, stated that Grace Goldstein advised him that on one occasion, while she and Alvin Karpis were driving in an auto while on the main street in Hot Springs, Arkansas,

they had an accident with another automobile. This accident occurred in front of the Sears-Roebuck store. Akers stated that Officer Joe Scott of the Hot Springs Police Department was present at the scene of the accident and helped in adjusting the matter.

INVESTIGATION TO PROVE HARBORING

The Oklahoma Field Division should advise the date upon which Identification Order 1218 on Alvin Karpis was mailed to the Hot Springs Police Department and the name of the employee who handled the mailing of same.

A search should be made of all newspapers published at Hot Springs, Arkansas, between January 17, 1934, and May 1, 1935, for articles bearing on the Bremer Kidnaping, the activities of the Barker-Karpis gang and especially such articles describing the fugitive status of Alvin Karpis. It should be learned whether Herbert Akers, Chief Wakelin and others, who may be involved in harboring Karpis, are subscribers to such newspapers.

Special Agent in Charge Marshall should be interviewed concerning the temporary wanted notices, including a wanted notice for Harry Campbell, left by him with Lieutenant Cecil Brock, Hot Springs Police Department, on or about October 23, 1934. Marshall may recall having seen I. O. 1218 for Alvin Karpis in the files of the Hot Springs Police Department at that time. It is possible that former Special Agent Marshall may have contacted Herbert "Dutch" Akers on the above occasion.

Information that may aid in again locating Byron E. Thompson should be obtained from Marshall, as it would appear advisable to again contact Thompson to learn the character of his association with "Dutch" Akers, and the way in which he happened to provide Akers with information concerning Karpis, reportedly being at Marked Tree, Arkansas, in April or May, 1935.

In view of the report that Dr. Paul Z. Brown, #303 Medical Arts Building, has treated Grace Goldstein and is reported to have referred Karpis and Barker to Grace Goldstein, this man should again be interviewed at the

appropriate time. Dr. Brown should be questioned as to whether he advised anyone of the inquiry made by Agent Damron of Fred Hunter on February 6, 1936. It is possible that Dr. Brown may have discussed this matter with Chief of Police Wakelin or Chief of Detectives Akers.

Will make appropriate inquiries of the landlords and of neighbors concerning the person or persons who rented the following premises occupied by Grace Goldstein in 1935 and 1936.

123 Palm Street.
602 S. Third Street or 701 South St., Hot Springs, Ark.
1336 S. Central Avenue.

Will [redacted] et al, reported to be presently residing at the [redacted] store on Central Avenue, and who lived at Grace's house of prostitution at 1336 South Central Avenue should be interviewed concerning Karpis, Hunter and associates and members of Police Department visiting this house.

Miss Genevieve [redacted], 1340 S. Central Avenue, formerly next door neighbor, should again be interviewed concerning Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter and associates and members of the Hot Springs Police Department visiting 1336 South Central Avenue, when it was operated by Grace Goldstein.

Report of Special Agent E. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated April 19, 1936; page 7.

Report of Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated April 11, 1936; page 27.

Will check rental of and make appropriate neighborhood investigation concerning the address of 127 Faneel Street, occupied by Karpis, Grace Goldstein, Fred Hunter and Connie Morris, between December 1, 1935, and February 10, 1936, and make neighborhood inquiry concerning police officers visiting this place.

Report of Special Agent E. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated April 19, 1936; page 10.

It appears important to learn the identity of the prostitute, employed by Grace Goldstein from [redacted], 1936, until the capture of Karpis [redacted]

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Hunter at New Orleans, Louisiana, in May, 1936. These women should be questioned concerning their association with Alvin Karpis and Fred Hunter and such information they might possess as would show knowledge on the part of the Hot Springs Police Department of the presence of these men in that city in 1935 and 1936.

The following girls are known to have worked for Grace Goldstein in 1935 and 1936:

Dixie Parker & "Patsy" Morris, 723 West
4th Street, Texarkana, Arkansas.
Eva Owens, alias June Johnson, Stamps,
Arkansas.
Maudie Clark, alias Jean Fritchard, Stamps,
Arkansas.
Greta Swanson, Atlanta, Texas, or Hot
Springs, Arkansas.
Pauline (Last name unknown).
Mary (Last name unknown).

It should be noted that informant Clayton Hall interviewed the prostitutes, Mary and Greta, at the Hatterie Hotel on April 24, 1936, and they indicated to Hall at that time, that they first learned of the true identity of Alvin Karpis in October, 1935, immediately after "Dutch" Akers had determined that Karpis and other individuals were residing in a cottage at Dyer's Landing on Lake Hamilton, at which time a photograph of Karpis appeared in the Hot Springs newspapers. In view of this admission by Greta and Mary, it is probable that all of the prostitutes employed by Grace Goldstein at that time and thereafter knew Karpis' true identity. - Report of B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 16, 1936, pages 30 - 31 - 32.

It appears that further investigation at Dyer's Landing is warranted for the purpose of learning how it came about that Karpis rented a cottage at this particular place. It is suggested that Morris E. Loftis, caretaker of Dyer's Landing, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Dyer, owners, who reside one block off Malvern Avenue on Grand Avenue about two doors from the corner, be interviewed. Mrs. Dyer and Morris Loftis should be questioned as to whether they told anyone of the identification of Hunter's photograph in February, 1936.

Grace Goldstein has confidentially informed that Morris Loftis told her that Agent Damron and another visited Dyer's Landing on October 5th, or October 6, 1935, shortly after Grace had left after cleaning the place up. The exact date of Grace Goldstein's visit should be learned from Loftis.

Efforts should also be made to interview Mina and Rosie, both of whom are reported to have worked as maids for Grace Goldstein at Dyer's Landing - Report of R. C. Coulter, Little Rock, Arkansas, October 17, 1935, page 2.

The most recent photographs of Karpis, Hunter, Sam Coker, Harry Campbell and Milton Lett should be exhibited to these persons, and the identity of any and all persons who visited the cottage occupied by Karpis and his associates should be learned, as well as any information bearing on the time and date of their hasty departure on or about October 2, 1935.

Discreet inquiry should be made to learn the source of the information secured by Chief of Detectives Herbert "Dutch" Akers on October 2, 1935 of the presence of a suspicious man at Dyer's Landing.

Inquiry should be made at the Office of the Registrar, Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Columbus, Ohio, for the purpose of locating the telegram sent by Akers on or about October 3, 1935. A copy of this message should be secured. Similar investigation should be conducted at the Youngstown Police Department to locate the telegram sent by Akers to that Police Department on or about the same date. The delivery copy of the telegram from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles dated October 4, 1935, and of the telegram from the Youngstown Police Department, dated October 5, 1935, both probably sent in answer to telegrams from Akers, are in the Little Rock file.

Inquiry should also be made to learn whether the Youngstown Police Department made an investigation at the Manning-Marino Motor Company on receipt of the telegram from the Hot Springs Police Department. The investigating officer should be interviewed for the details of his inquiry.

The telegrams sent by the Youngstown Police Department and the Bureau of Motor Vehicles are herewith quoted:

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HERBERT AKERS-

CHIEF DETECTIVES HS-

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FRANK WEST REGISTRAR BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

1935 OCT 5 AM 11 36

LR72 25 COLLECT 2 EXTRA - YOUNGSTOWN OHIO 5 1206P

HERBERT AKERS-

CHIEF OF DETECTIVES HS-

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PARKER ABOUT FIRST FROM MARINE MARINE COMPANY CASH SALE-

T W THOMAS CHIEF DETECTIVES.

Interview will be had with one Wilson who runs Wilson's
Tavern on Lake Hamilton near Dyer's Landing. Grace Goldstein has confid-
informed that she believes Wilson informed "Dutch" Akers of the presence
of suspicious persons at Dyer's Landing early in October of 1935. Wilson
should also be questioned concerning the report that Karpis or one of his
associates attempted to rent one of Wilson's cottages on Lake Hamilton
before they rented the Woodcock home or the cottage at Dyer's Landing.
It is reported that Wilson disliked Karpis because Karpis would practice
shooting around the docks for the purpose of frightening Wilson, when he
in swimming. (Report of B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 16,
1936, page 21.)

Mrs. Edward Benski, Proprietor of the Wilson Tavern, Eight-
way # 2, should be reinterviewed concerning the offer of a prostitute and
her man friend (probably Clayton Hall) to lease the Wilson Tavern in
January or February, 1936. Photographs of Karpis, Hunter, Connie Morris
Grace Goldstein, Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and Milton Lett should be
exhibited to Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Benski. (Report Inspector E. J. Connel
Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, page 16.)

At the proper time, discreet inquiry should be made of the Associated Press representative at Little Rock, Arkansas, and at Saint Louis, Missouri, to learn the source of the information, which was being broadcast on October 12, 1935, that Alvin Karpis was in Hot Springs, Arkansas, shortly before that date, and that Federal Agents had raided the premises where he was staying subsequent to his departure.

Referring to the trips which Alvin Karpis, Grace Goldstein and Clayton Hall made between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Ohio, and by Fred Hunter and Connie Morris between Hot Springs, Arkansas, and Texas, in the plane of John Stover, Manager of the Municipal Airport at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it is noted that neither John Stover or his wife ever admitted the presence of Grace Goldstein on any of the above trips. Mr. and Mrs. Stover should be interviewed in detail, concerning their association and dealings with Karpis, Grace Goldstein and others of the gang. Previous interviews with Mr. and Mrs. Stover can be found in the following communications:

Letter from Little Rock to Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated March 25, 1936.
Report Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, pages 17 to 22.
Report E. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 16, 1936, pages 14 to 16.

The log of airplane trips made by John Stover is contained on page 13, report E. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 16, 1936.

Further investigation should be conducted concerning the rental of and the residence of Alvin Karpis and others of the gang at the Woodcock home on Lake Catherine, near Hot Springs, Arkansas, beginning about February 10, 1936.

E. E. Woodcock, owner of this house should be interviewed thoroughly concerning the rental of his house to Clayton Hall, and the occupancy of same by Alvin Karpis and his associates. The identities of any persons, Woodcock may have seen visiting this house at that time, should be learned.

Recently while Special Agent J. L. Madala and the writer were making a discreet inquiry relative to the country home of "Dutch" Akers, Agents called at the Rogers Brothers Tourist Camp, located on Lake Catherine about one-half mile from the Woodcock home. In a casual conversation with Mr. Rogers, he stated that Ralph Capone, brother of Al Capone, and several men friends lived in the Woodcock home, some years ago and that "Pretty Boy" Floyd either lived at or in close vicinity to the Woodcock home two or three summers ago. Rogers at that time stated that Karpis and his girl friend rented boats from him on several occasions and appeared to have no fear of the law. Rogers should be openly interviewed for all possible information concerning Karpis and his associates. (Report Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, page 14.)

The following persons who have been previously interviewed, should be reinterviewed and shown the most recent photographs of Alvin Karpis, Fred Hunter, Grace Goldstein, Connie Morris, Harry Campbell, Sam Coker and Milton Lett:

Dewey May, R.R. # 2, Melvern Road, six and one-half miles Southeast of Hot Springs, Deward and Andies McCoy.

Nettie McCoy, sister of Deward and Andies McCoy, and who formerly was employed by Woodcock at his home prior to its rental by Clayton Hall, should also be interviewed for any information she may have obtained from Woodcock concerning the rental of his home to Clayton Hall. (Report Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, pages 10, 11, 13.)

Effort should be made to learn the identity of the negro man, seen by Dewey May at the Woodcock home during the time Karpis resided there. In questioning the above named persons, the exact dates when members of the gang were last seen at the Woodcock home should be obtained.

Since members of the gang hastily departed from the Woodcock home, probably on March 26, 1936, and apparently as the result of a "tip-off" to Grace Goldstein, it would appear highly important to learn who was responsible for informing Grace Goldstein of the investigation which was then being conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, by Bureau Agents and Post Office Inspectors to locate Karpis. It is known that the Post Office

Inspectors and Joe Anderson contacted "Dutch" Akers, and it is not improbable that Akers informed Grace Goldstein of the activities of the Post Office Inspectors. For this reason, investigation should be discreetly conducted to learn when the Post Office Inspectors or Joe Anderson first contacted "Dutch" Akers or any other representatives of the Hot Springs Police Department.

The file does not indicate how the Post Office Inspectors or Joe Anderson became acquainted with John Brock, Yellow Cab driver and brother of Lieutenant Cecil Brock. Akers, when interviewed on March 28, 1936 by Agent Damron, strongly intimated that he did not know how the Post Office Inspectors first contacted Brock. (See Report Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, pages 25 and 26.)

John Brock should be thoroughly interviewed regarding the occasion on which he was first contacted by the Post Office Inspectors or by Joe Anderson and whether his brother, Cecil Brock, or "Dutch" Akers were in any way instrumental in putting the Post Office Inspectors in touch with Brock. Attention is directed to the statement made by Akers to Agent Damron on March 29, 1936 that Brock had informed Akers that Fred Hunter had been in Hot Springs during the week of March 2, 1936, at which time he was driving a coupe with some kind of insignia on the side. Brock should be questioned as to whether he ever informed Akers of this information and the date of such conversation if it in fact took place. The source of this information should be learned from Brock. (Report Inspector E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, April 11, 1936, page 31.)

Brock should be questioned as to the nature of his acquaintance with Akers and the frequency with which he contacted Akers during the month of March, 1936, and whether Akers or Cecil Brock were advised, in advance, of the contact he made with Connie Morris. Brock should be questioned further as to whether he was in fact intoxicated on the night that he informed Connie that Post Office Inspectors were inquiring about Fred Hunter. It should be learned from Brock whether he was the informant of Joe Anderson who advised that Chief of Police Wakelin changed license plates with Grace Goldstein so that she could make a trip to Oklahoma, but had his plates returned when he desired to use his car and that Chief Wakelin went riding with Grace Goldstein, the evening preceeding the raid on the Woodcock residence. (Report E. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas April 16, 1936, page 40.)

It is possible that the informant of Joe Anderson who provided information concerning the association of Wakelin and Grace Goldstein may be a mechanic in the Greason Buick Company at Hot Springs. The manager of this company should be discreetly interviewed for the purpose of learning the nature of his contacts with Akers on and about March 26, 1936. This man should also be questioned as to whether Akers is acquainted with any of the mechanics employed by the company who may have been acting either as Akers' informant or the informant of Joe Anderson. (Report B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 19, 1936, page 4.)

There is a suggestion in the file that Joe Anderson has an informant who was employed in the barber shop located next door to the Hatterie Hotel. The identity of this person should be learned so that he or she can be interviewed.

The prostitute, Mary, (last name unknown) who was left in charge of the Hatterie Hotel, when Grace Goldstein left for New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 10, 1936, should be interviewed in detail concerning her knowledge of Karpis and his associates; his connection with Grace Goldstein and any knowledge or information she may have concerning those persons in Hot Springs who were responsible for harboring him. She should be questioned concerning the nature of her conversation with "Dutch" Akers on April 10, 1936, when Akers visited the Hatterie Hotel and talked with her about the departure of Grace Goldstein. (Report B. L. Damron, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 19, 1936, page 4.)

In the interview with the prostitute, Mary, as well as any interviews had with other prostitutes who were employed by Grace Goldstein, she should be questioned concerning the frequency of visits made by Akers or other police officers to the Hatterie Hotel, whether they were ever seen in the presence of Karpis, Hunter or other members of the gang and whether any members of the Hot Springs Police Department ever conducted any investigation or made any attempt to arrest Karpis or any of his criminal associates who may have appeared suspicious.

Connie Morris should be reinterviewed concerning her association with Fred Hunter, Alvin Karpis and Grace Goldstein and other members of the gang. Particular attention should be directed to the conversation she had with John Brock, the cab driver, on the evening of March 25, 1936, when Brock is reported to have told her of the inquiries that were being made concerning Fred Hunter. She should be questioned as to the

approximate date that she first met Karpis and Hunter, whether Hunter first visited Grace Goldstein's house alone and was later followed by Karpis. Connie Morris should also be interrogated concerning the acquaintances of Karpis and Hunter; their amusements and activities; the rental of the house at Dyer's Landing; her meeting and association with Harry Campbell, Milton Lett and Sam Coker in the early fall of 1935 at Dyer's Landing and the Hatterie Hotel; the association of herself and Grace Goldstein and the possible association of Karpis and Hunter with police officials at Hot Springs; the source of the "tip-off" to leave Dyer's Landing. If possible, the exact date of the desertion of the house at Dyer's Landing should be obtained from Connie Morris for the purpose of showing that Grace Goldstein was advised to leave Dyer's Landing, prior to any Bureau investigation conducted at Dyer's Landing and even prior to any Bureau knowledge of suspicious persons residing there. This woman should also be questioned as to information received by her of a fingerprint having been found in this cottage and especially as to the person who provided such information. The circumstances of the rental of the house at 127 Faneel Street, the persons who visited that address and the names of prostitutes employed there should be obtained from Connie Morris.

Further information can probably be obtained from Clayton Hall concerning the approximate date when Karpis and Hunter first came to Hot Springs, Arkansas, from Ohio in the late spring of 1935, and whether they first came together or separately. The following should be obtained; such other information which Hall may possess concerning the manner in which Karpis and Hunter contacted Grace Goldstein; what if any assurance was given them of immunity to arrest while they resided in Hot Springs as Hunter has already indicated, and by whom was this assurance given; information regarding the rental by Hall of the Woodcock home and the reason, if any, for selecting that particular place; the circumstances surrounding his negotiations to purchase the Wilson Tavern and to rent one of Wilson's cottages; the facts of the "tip-off" to Grace Goldstein of the Bureau's contemplated activities at Dyer's Landing on or about October 2, 1936, and such information that he may possess of the corrupt association of Karpis, Hunter and others with police officials or politicians at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Interviews will be conducted with Grace Goldstein only upon those lines suggested by Inspector E. J. Connelley.

In the questioning of the above mentioned witnesses and other persons who will be interviewed, all available information should be obtained concerning corruption and vice as it exists at the present time in the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas. Persons interviewed should be thoroughly questioned

concerning their knowledge or information of criminals who have been harbored at Hot Springs in the past. The prevalence of prostitution, of gambling and of other unlawful activities on the part of the local police department and of private citizens should be a matter of close inquiry for the purpose of disclosing the underlying cause why notorious criminals such as Alvin Karpis and others have for years found haven, refuge and practical immunity from arrest during their residence in Hot Springs.

NOTE:

The suggested investigative activity set out in this report is intended to act as a guidepost for those agents who will be assigned to the investigation of the harboring case at Hot Springs, Arkansas. No investigation should be conducted without the prior approval of Inspector E. J. Connelley.

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December 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
San Francisco, California.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1331; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Your attention is invited to Bureau letter dated October 22, 1936, in which you were instructed to make discreet inquiries at Alcatraz regarding the story that Alvin Karpis is alleged to have obtained to the effect that Alvin Karpis had been furnishing Warden Johnston of Alcatraz with considerable information relative to his criminal activities.

This matter should be handled immediately.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

December 3, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith, in duplicate, copy of letter dated November 23, 1936, written to Dolores Delaney at the United States Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, by her mother, Mrs. Helen Delaney, 1556 East 7th Street, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Copies of this letter are also being transmitted to the divisions listed below.

A photostatic copy of the original letter was received at the Detroit Division through Mr. John J. Ryan, Superintendent of the detention farm.

Very truly yours,

Herold H. Reinecke

Herold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Addressed: Miss Dolores DeLaney
Milan, Michigan
Box 1000

Return Mrs. Helen DeLaney
Address: 1558 E. 7th Street
St. Paul, Minnesota

Nov. 23rd '36

My Darling Dolores

Here it is the Monday before Thanksgiving and you are still there.

What did you hear from the patrol board and what are they keeping you for? That is a question and I dont mean maybe. I am asked that every day what are they keeping Dolores for? And yesterday Mpls. paper had Margarets and two of the other girls pictures and a write up. I didnt read it. I hope who ever they are thats trying to reach fame and fortune doing this breaks their necks doing it.

Jessie James never got the notoriety that the Dillinger Gang, as they are called, has gotten. I am all fed up with all this publicity and believe it or not Dolores, right here in this rotten town they are shown a picture called the "gansters wife" or something. And all the young folks can go, and these pictures are supposed to be censored, and then they cant see where where the young folks get the idea.

This is a beautiful day Dolores, how I wish that you were here so you could go for a walk with me.

I am trying to sell a few Christmas cards so I am going out now. My dear, the picture you sent me I am sending you, the one with the hat you sent to Bobby I think. I'll try and get it for you.

I am sending you a card for Thanksgiving. It was the best I could get up here. I will think of you that day, try and be cheerful, Dolores, "dont let it get you down" your life will be your own some day.

For all those that are and have been good to you, I wish them a good thanksgiving. Be thankful dear for something.

Lovingly,

P.S.

Mother

I received your letter from Bud and glad to get it. Write me here. I wrote to Babe about those other films. I haven't any. How is Alvin?

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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December 3, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. HOOVER

This is to advise you that I have assigned Mr. Charles H. Carr to try the case of Joe Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall at Miami, Florida, which is scheduled for February 15, 1937. He will be assisted by Mr. James J. Waters of this Division.

Mr. Carr is now engaged in a trial at Utica, but I expect that he will be back in the city within a few days and I shall then have him contact your Supervisor in the case.

Brien McMahon
Brien McMahon,
Assistant Attorney General.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana
December 4, 1936

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; et al -
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim -
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of Bureau letter dated December 2, 1936, (Bureau file #7-576) in the above-entitled matter, wherein advice was requested as to the progress of an investigation at Hammond, Indiana, in an effort to ascertain the present whereabouts of Benson Groves.

It is respectfully requested that the Bureau refer to the report of Special Agent E. X. Humphrey, of this office, dated November 30, 1936, with regard to the above investigation.

Very truly yours,

John A. Dord
JOHN A. DORD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
December 4th, 1936.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley, Inspector,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1448 Standard Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

RE: BR KID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are
carbon copies of the log submitted by the Agents
maintaining the telephone surveillances at Hot
Springs, Arkansas, on telephones #123, #446 and
#640, for November 26th through December 1st, 1936.

Very truly yours,

JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
December 3, 1936

Re: BREKID

Mr. John J. Ryan
Superintendent
United States Detention Farm
Milan, Michigan

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This will acknowledge receipt of
photostatic copy of letter dated November 23,
1936, addressed to Dolores Delaney by her
mother, Mrs. Helen Delaney.

Your cooperation in this matter
is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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Herold H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
December 1, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of November 12, 1936, requesting a review of the case entitled Frank Nash, with aliases; escaped Federal Prisoner (Oklahoma City file 76-131); and the Kanno case (Oklahoma City file 62-456); for data concerning prospective sources of information relative to corrupt conditions at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The following serials in the Frank Nash case, containing information which may be of value, are being forwarded to the Little Rock Division herewith:

Report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, 9/15/31, O.C. serial #101.

Report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, 3/11/32, O.C. serial #153.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, 3/29/32, O.C. serial #163.

Report of Special Agent D. O. Smith, Oklahoma City, 3/30/32, O.C. serial #164.

Report of Special Agent D. O. Smith, Oklahoma City, 4/12/32, O.C. serial #173.

Report of Special Agent D. O. Smith, Oklahoma City, 5/28/32, O.C. serial #203.

Letter from Special Agent L. W. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge J. E. Colvin, Oklahoma City, 7/17/32, O.C. serial 222.

Report of Special Agent D. O. Smith, Oklahoma City, 7/29/32, O.C. serial 231.

Report of Special Agent W. J. Jeffrey, Kansas City, 7/21/32, O.C. serial 234.

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Report of Special Agent R. J. Caffrey, Kansas City, 8/1/32, O.C. serial #233.

Letter to Salt Lake City from Oklahoma City, 8/31/32, O.C. serial #266.

Report of Special Agent L. M. Chipman, Oklahoma City, 9/30/32, O.C. serial #276.

Report of Special Agent D. O. Smith, Oklahoma City, 10/26/32, O.C. serial #284.

Letter from St. Paul to Oklahoma City, 11/3/32, O.C. serial #292.

Report of Special Agent R. M. Butterworth, Oklahoma City, 11/15/32, O.C. serial #299.

Report of Special Agent L. M. Chipman, Oklahoma City, 2/6/33, O.C. serial #338.

Memorandum by Special Agent L. M. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge H. H. Colvin, Oklahoma City, 5/25/33, O.C. serial #390.

Letter from Chicago to Oklahoma City 6/3/33, O.C. serial #395.

Report of Special Agent in Charge H. H. Colvin, Oklahoma City, 6/30/33, O.C. serial #402.

You will note that some of the above serials are memoranda, and may be duplicated in part by subsequent reports, but the memoranda appear to contain more details.

The Frank Nash case was Referred Upon Completion to Office of Origin on May 17, 1933, when the office of origin was changed to Kansas City, and subsequent investigation was carried in the Kanmo case.

The following serials in the Kanmo case, containing information which may be of value, are being forwarded to the Little Rock Division herewith. These serials cover investigations at Hot Springs prior to June 18, 1934.

Memorandum by Special Agent F. B. Smith to Special Agent in Charge H. H. Colvin, 6/15/33, O.C. serial 1.

Memorandum by Special Agent L. M. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge H. H. Colvin, 6/17/33, O.C. serial #16.

Letter from Chicago to Kansas City, 6/20/33, O.C. serial #28.

Letter to U. S. Attorney, Little Rock from Houston Emory, Attorney, Hot Springs, 6/21/33, O.C. serial #33.

Letter to Special Agent in Charge R. E. Colvin, Oklahoma City from Special Agent R. M. Butterworth, 6/20/33, O.C. serial #34.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, 6/24/33, O.C. serial #45.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, 6/29/33, O.C. serial #70.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent R. M. Butterworth, Oklahoma City, 7/11/33, O.C. #164.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, 7/19/33, O.C. serial #193.

Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 7/21/33, O.C. serial #232.

Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 7/28/33, O.C. serial #234.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent R. M. Butterworth, Oklahoma City, 8/7/33, O.C. serial 283A.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Kansas City, 8/18/33, O.C. serial #316.

Anonymous letter from Hot Springs, 8/24/33, O.C. serial 341A.

Letter from Kansas City to Oklahoma City, 9/5/33, O.C. serial #387.

Letter from A. C. Prichard, Hot Springs, to Bureau, 8/23/33, O.C. serial #391.

Letter from Kansas City to Oklahoma City, 9/22/33, O.C. serial #423.

Report of Special Agent L. M. Chipman, Oklahoma City, 11/1/33, O.C. serial #519.

Report of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Colvin, Oklahoma City, 11/29/33, O.C. serial #566.

Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 12/8/33, O.C. serial #608.

Letter from Kansas City to Bureau, 12/21/33, O.C. serial #651.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, 12/29/33, O.C. serial #658.

Memorandum by Special Agent L. M. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge E. H. Colvin, Oklahoma City, O.C. serial #908, 1/8/34.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent E. M. Butterworth, Oklahoma City, 1/9/34, O.C. serial #713.

Letter from J. R. Demby, Ex-Postmaster, Hot Springs, to Oklahoma City, 2/12/34, O.C. serial #879.

Letter to Oklahoma City from Bureau, 2/20/34, O.C. serial #908.

Letter from Birmingham to Kansas City, 2/28/34, O.C. serial #932.

Memorandum by Special Agent L. M. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brentley, Oklahoma City, 3/1/34, O.C. serial #938.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent A. L. Farland, Kansas City, 2/22/34, O.C. serial #973.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent G. H. Franklin, Oklahoma City, 3/15/34, O.C. serial #979.

Letter from Bureau to Birmingham 3/13/34, O.C. serial #978.

Memorandum by Special Agent L. M. Chipman to Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brentley, 3/8/34, O.C. serial #979.

Report of Special Agent J. T. Martin, Oklahoma City, 3/20/34, O.C. file #991.

Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, 3/19/34, O.C. file #994.

Letter to Oklahoma City from Chas. F. Addy, Warren, Ark., 3/19/34, O.C. file #1003.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Bureau 4/7/34, O.C. serial #1053.

Letter from Oklahoma City to Bureau 4/19/34, O.C. serial #1086.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent E. M. Butterworth, Oklahoma City, 4/26/34, O.C. serial #1106.

Letter from Kansas City to Oklahoma City, 5/14/34, O.C. serial #1139.

Letter from Birmingham to Oklahoma City, 5/24/34, O.C. serial #1164.

As in the Frank Nash file, memoranda which go into considerable detail are being included, although subsequently shown in condensed form in reports. The reports of Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli, Kansas City, 6/26/33, and Special Agent T. F. Trainor, Kansas City, 7/3/33 and 7/15/33 are not being included, as it is noted you already have photostatic copies of same.

A review of the Brakid file covering investigations at Hot Springs prior to June 18, 1934 was made, although not specifically requested, and the following serials show some information which may be of value. Those serials are being forwarded herewith to the Little Rock Division.

Memorandum for the file by Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, 2/21/34, O.C. serial #53.

Memorandum for the Director by REN (office not shown), 2/21/34, O.C. serial #56.

Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, 3/19/34, O.C. serial #166.

With respect to that portion of your letter, which requests that Special Agent Frank S. Smith submit his opinion concerning the reliability of informants, law enforcement officials and others contacted by him, you are advised that I have discussed this matter with Agent Smith, who has advised that he is unable from his past experiences to recommend any informant, whether he be a law enforcement official or otherwise, in Hot Springs with whom he has come in contact. Agent Smith stated that he had some negotiations with Chief of Detectives Herbert "Dutch" Akers of Hot Springs in connection with the Frank Nash case, and has been in touch with him on other matters, but he has no confidence in Akers, and would deal with him at arm's length, just as he would all of the other law enforcement officials and members of the city and county government at Hot Springs, including the United States Commissioner; and from what he has heard, he feels the same with respect to the United States District Judge in the Eastern District of Arkansas.

You are advised that Agent Smith has informed me that he on one or more occasions talked to Bill Brandenburg, former Chief of Police at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and that Brandenburg was very bitter toward the police department and the city administration at Hot Springs, and frequently expressed

himself as being desirous of furnishing information against all of said officials; however, he did not furnish Agent Smith with any material information. Brandenburg so expressed himself, as I understand it, to various agents of the Bureau from time to time. It is to be noted that Brandenburg perhaps is an office seeker or job seeker at Hot Springs, and any contacts with him should be made with this in mind.

Very truly yours,

Encls.

DEWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box #1469,
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December 8th, 1936.

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RE: BREXID

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the
telephone tap logs from Hot Springs, Arkansas, for
December 2nd, 1936, on the telephone surveillances
being maintained there.

I have been advised by the
Agents engaged on this surveillance that it has been
learned that telephone #446 and #123 are both located
in the Hot Springs Police Department and that both
of these telephones have extension telephones located
in the City Jail. For this reason, beginning
November 26th, 1936, the logs on these telephones
were consolidated. Hereafter, only one log for these
telephones will be maintained. On each separate
call a notation will be made of the telephone line
from which the call was made.

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Very truly yours,

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JOHN B. LITTLE,
Special Agent in Charge.

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